COAST GUARD

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 23 Jun 60	Vicinity of New Orleans, La.  5 mi SE of Breaux Bridge, La.		12. CONCLUSIONS  D Was Balloon Probably Balloon Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP  Local 2220  GMT 24/0420Z  5. PHOTOS  GNo	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION  XD Ground-Visual  XD Air-Visual  6. SOURCE  Civilian and N	□ Ground-Radar □ Air-Intercept Radar	Possibly Balloon  Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Was Astronomical Recor Possibly Astronomical Meteor Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION  Not given	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE descending to W	Other Insufficient Data for Evaluation Unknown
Object with appearance of Object was falling straight what of a teardrop shape, no taper, appeared brillist first head part appeared to which a second head part it to first part. Circular of tail, appeared to be a vertical.	but with little or ant and whitish. The to bog down, from cell with tail similar eject with long burning	Probably part of witnessed in New vicinity.	as probably a meteor.  meteorological shower  orleans, Arkansas and

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## Flash Over Gulf Thought Meteor

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WASHINGTON (AP)—The Air Force said Friday that an Air Force plane had reported the sighting of a brilliant object in the sky over the Gulf of Mexico Thursday night, but that the plane's crew suggested it may have been a meteor.

However, it said, a routine "unidentified flying object" report was sent to the air tactical center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for analysis of available information. An Air Force spokesman said that this is customary procedure in the handling of all such reports.

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UNCLAS 320IN 6368. ATTN: AFCIN-4E.

AS REQUESTED IN TELCON BETWEEN MAJ FRIEND, AFCIN-4E, AND SGT BRADY, 320IN, 1922Z 24 JUN 62, THE FOLLOWING MERINT REPORTS FROM COAST GUARD EIGHT, NEW ORLEANS, ARE QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION. QUOTE.

Y O 24252ZZ. FM CCGDEIGHT. UNCLAS MERINT TO O X 29-22N 89-48W SOUTH PASS UNIDENTIFIED CIRCULAR OBJECT X LONG BURNING TAIL X EAST TO WEST X ALTITUDE MEDIUM X VISIBILITY GOOD TIME OF SIGHTING 243425Z. UNQUOTE.

SECOND MESSAGE. QUOTE. O 242737Z. FM CCGDEIGHT. UNCLAS X / CG-83491 242432Z X FOL FROM UF1G CGNR 1266 QUOTE SIGHTED WHAT APPEARS TO BE VERY BRIGHT METEOR SAME TIME POSIT LAKE BORGNE X BURNING TAIL WAS SOUTH OF ACFT UNKNOWN DISTANCE X DIRECTION OF TRAVEL CONFIRMED. END QUOTE.

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June 25, 1960.

Air Tactical Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

In connection with the article attached relative to the brilliant object sighted Thursday night, June 23rd, I would like to relate details as follows for whatever value can be gleaned therefrom;

Parks, La., and at a point about five miles out of Breaux Bridge, while headed in a Southeasterly direction at approximately 10:20 P.M., I sighted what appeared like a comet with a tail falling straight down and dead shead. It was somewhat of a tear-drop shaped object but with little or no taper. I first saw it through the top of my tinted windshield and ofcourse it appeared blueish-green but after it cleared the tinted part, it appeared brilliant and whitish. My guess is that I could see at about a 30 degree angle from horizon to top of windshield and that I saw the object falling for about half this distance. The first head part of it appeared to bog down, from which a second head part fell with tail similar to first part. Other than that it looked a bit different, I presume it was a meteor, which as always appears to be only five or ten miles away."

Yours very truly

(Ex Captain Air Transport Command)