

**PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD**

<b>1. DATE</b> 31 July, 1960		<b>2. LOCATION</b> Arnold, California		<b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b>	
<b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b> Local _____ GMT 31/1830Z		<b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	
<b>5. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		<b>6. SOURCE</b> Civilian		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
<b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> seconds		<b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> One	<b>9. COURSE</b> Straight	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
<b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b> Letter sent in describing object as a top with whining sound. Direction westerly with terrific speed. Color metallic grey. No tail mentioned.			<b>11. COMMENTS</b> Additional information was requested, however the questionnaire was not returned. The limited information available indicates that the object was probably a daylight meteor of the bolide type. Evaluation based on the duration and general description of the object.		

9 AUG 1960

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

On 4 August 1960 you requested the latest information concerning unidentified flying objects (UFOs).

There is no authenticated evidence to prove or even indicate that UFOs are space craft from outer planets, that they are superior devices under intelligent control or that they constitute a direct physical threat to the security of the country. There are no facts which tend to prove that UFOs are space craft or superior devices under intelligent control being concealed by the Air Force from the public, the press, or Congress. Furthermore, there have been no classified UFO reports which have not been made available to Congress.

By an act of Congress, the United States Air Force is charged with the air defense of the United States. In connection with this vitally important mission, the Air Force must detect, intercept, identify, and destroy, if necessary, any aircraft, missile, or object in aerospace which threatens the security of the United States. In the performance of this mission, and with the aid of the entire air defense radar and missile tracking systems, the Air Force has been unable to uncover any evidence which would indicate that UFOs constitute a threat to the physical security of the country. In the performance of this mission, planes have been scrambled on numerous occasions when UFO returns appeared on radar scopes, but in no instance have any of the returns been identified as space ships or superior devices under intelligent control; nor is there any credible evidence which indicates that any of the scrambled planes were shot down by the UFOs.

Aside from the obvious air defense aspects of this subject, the Air Force is constantly seeking scientific advances, of whatever origin, which can be passed on to industry and incorporated in our own weapon systems. If UFOs were in fact space ships and/or superior devices possessing the extraordinary capabilities attributed to them, they would, of necessity, be the product of a technology far in advance of that known at the present. It would follow, therefore, that if the Air Force had evidence of the existence of UFOs, it would be most anxious to circulate such information among industrial and scientific circles so that our own technology could be advanced.

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*W. C. Becker*

Letter to the Honorable Richard B. Russell (Continued)

For your convenience, I am inclosing two copies of the latest News Release, dated 21 July 1960, on the Air Force UFO Report.

With specific reference to your inquiry concerning the alleged UFO which fell at Atlanta, Georgia, inquiry reveals that, on 25 July 1960, at 6:00 p.m., a practice bomb fell from the skies and landed on the grounds of the Atlanta Federal Prison Farm. No injuries or damage to property were incurred other than a hole which was 14 inches in diameter. The incident was investigated by Explosive Ordnance Disposal personnel from Fort McPherson, Dobbins and Robins Air Force Bases, Georgia. Fragments of the bomb were recovered which contained stock numbers and a manufacturer's name and which were identified as being a portion of a M1A-1 Spotting Charge. The investigators dug 35 feet to the bottom of the hole and recovered a M1B-4 Practice Bomb.

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I hope the foregoing information will be useful. If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted Signature]  
Major General, USAF  
Director, Legislative Liaison

Enclosure News Release No 812-60

Honorable [Redacted]  
Chairman, Committee on Armed  
Services  
United States Senate

M/R:

5 Aug: Rec'd L&L & Tm A. Case cons of telecon fm SASC 4 Aug  
requesting info on UFOs.

5 Aug: Fnl ltr prpd & fwd based on info provided by Maj Tacker re  
practice bomb and info previously furnished by Comm Liaison  
to C/M Vinson 4 Aug.

SAFLL-2/Maj Boland/dds/73376/50918/2 Aug 60  
FILE: 155

*UFO*

4 AUG 1960

Dear Mr. ██████████

This is in response to your letter of 24 June 1960 requesting the latest information on unidentified flying objects. Forwarded with referenced letter was certain correspondence from the National Investigating Committee on Aerial Phenomena.

The Air Force position on UFOs remains as stated in Assistant Secretary Horner's letter to you of 5 May 1958, a copy of which is attached. There is no authenticated evidence to prove or even indicate that "UFOs" are space craft from outer planets, that they are superior devices under intelligent control or that they constitute a direct physical threat to the security of the country. There are no facts which tend to prove that UFOs are space craft or superior devices under intelligent control being concealed by the Air Force from the public, the press, or Congress. Furthermore, there have been no classified UFO reports which have not been made available to Congress.

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For your further information and reference, I am sending you under separate cover the following books:

"The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects" by [REDACTED]

"Satellites, Rockets and Outer Space" by [REDACTED]

"Flying Saucers, Top Secret" by [REDACTED]

"Flying Saucers" by [REDACTED]

"Flying Saucers" by [REDACTED]

Should you or any member of your Committee or Staff desire a more detailed briefing on this subject, I shall be pleased to have it arranged with personnel from the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Furthermore, the Air Force stands ready to give you its whole-hearted cooperation in any hearing which you may feel is dictated by over-riding considerations.

Sincerely yours,

M/R: Ltr in [REDACTED] dd 28 June 60. ACK prep/dated 5 July. Hand-carried SAFOI for information. Meeting with Staffs (see Staff notes dd 14 and 21 July) held. See also memo for [REDACTED] dd 13 July re meeting with Staffs. Unrated draft in SAFOI used as basis for this letter prep/dated 2 Aug 60, for [REDACTED]'s sig. Mr. Smart informed at 15 July briefing that reply to his letter would be delayed until such time as it could include SAFOI Fact Sheet on UFOs which was included in this ltr.

Honorable Carl Vinson  
Chairman, Committee on  
Aerospace  
House of Representatives

JOSEPH E. KINGSLAY, JR.  
Brigadier General, USAF  
Deputy Director  
Legislative Liaison

1 - 20 AUGUST 1960 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
Aug	Essex, Illinois	[REDACTED] (PHYSICAL S)	Other (CHAFF)
4	Glover, Vermont	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
4	North Concord AFS, Vermont	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
4	Dexter, Maine	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
4	Plattsburg AFB, New York	[REDACTED]	Other (PARACHUTE FLARE)
4	Dayton, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Other (UNRELIABLE REPORT)
5	Lewisburg, West Virginia	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
6	29.57N 79.42W (Atlantic)	Coast Guard	Other (SONOBUOY)
6	Sandersville, Georgia	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
10	Cleveland, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
10	24.10N 49.14W (Atlantic)	USN	Other (MISSILE)
11	E of Kyushu Island, Japan	Military Air	Astro (METEOR)
11	Madison, Wisconsin	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
11	Sioux Falls, South Dakota	Multiple	Insufficient Data
12	Quincy, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
12-20	Red Bluff Area, California	(Separate Folder) Multi	Other (INVERSION)
13	Virginia	USN (PHYSICAL S)	Other (WATER BEACON)
13	Terre Haute, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
14	30 MI S of Ketchikan, Alaska	Pacific NW Airlines	Astro (METEOR)
14	Tobago Island, Fort Clayton, C.Z.	Multi	Astro (ARCTURUS)
16	Fairborn, Ohio	[REDACTED]	Astro (ALTAIR)
16	Lakeland, Florida	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
17	E of Corpus Christi, Texas	Coast Guard	Satellite (ECHO I)
18	Melbourne, Florida	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
18	Fairfield, California	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
19	Nome, Alaska	[REDACTED]	Satellite
20	Galena, Alaska	[REDACTED]	Satellite
20	Concord, California	[REDACTED]	Astro (VEGA)
20	Littleton, Colorado	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
5	Maul & Lille, France	Newsclipping	
9	San Francisco, California	[REDACTED] (Ltr)	
11	Boulder, Colorado	Newsclipping	
12	Port Washington, Wisconsin	Newsclipping	
13	Holmdel, New Jersey	Newsclipping	
13	Cape Canaveral, Florida	Newsclipping	
18	Dayton, Ohio	Newsclipping	



It was quiet at first, but then  
the sound of a gun. But some  
minutes of impact. The noise  
said of this object was when it  
was seen on the side of a tree of  
a group of pines + Pines  
trees, we assume it continued on  
along the side of the mountain  
behind the thick group of trees  
the mountain side falling toward  
the sea. One thing was sure  
it didn't go down the mountain.  
One thing it was going over the  
side of the mountain. I see by  
the way of it that it was  
a very thin object, no  
engine, no wings, no tail, no  
missile, no fuel. But what it is I  
say in my opinion it was made  
man or alien, and man or alien but  
not a simple machine.

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AFC IN-442x

UFO Sighting ( [REDACTED] )

SAFBI-3d (L/Col Tacker)

It is suggested that a questionnaire be forwarded to:

Mr [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Arnold, California

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Science and Components

1 Atch:  
Cy ltr, no date, fr Mr [REDACTED]

18 August 1960

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge your undated letter concerning the sighting of an unidentified flying object on 31 July at Kamey Lakes.

Your letter contained insufficient information for a valid evaluation. Therefore ask that you fill out the attached Air Force questionnaire and forward the completed form to the Commander, Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio for their evaluation and analysis.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. TACKER  
Lt. Colonel, USAF  
Public Information Division  
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Arnold, California

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Reader OI-1

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE  
OHIO

REPLY TO  
ATTN: AFC IN-4E2x

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting ( [REDACTED] )

16 AUG 1955

TO: SAFOI-3d (L/Col Tacker)

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Mr [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Arnold, California

FOR THE COMMANDER:

*Philip G. Evans*  
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Cy ltr, no date, fr Mr [REDACTED]

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not enough evidence  
and questionnaire*

Air Force

On July 31 four natives went on a picnic for the day at what is call Kinney lakes. There are 3 of these lakes. The elevation at these lakes is 8,730 feet and are locate in alpine County on highway 4. On these very day of July 31 visibility was very good. We arrive at Kinney lake no-2 about 9:00 O'clock four Adults & two children remain at the picnic grounds. At about 10:30 An object shape like a top came over the crest of the mountain from the direction of Kinney lake no-1. came straight over Kinney lake no-2. was soundless until it was over about the middle of the lake then it made a swish sound like a jet except there was no roar or whistle to the sound it made. When it reach the other end of the lake the sound stop we expect it to hit the side of the mountain. But there was no sound of impact the last we saw of these object was when it disapear behind a stretch of very thick grove of timber's & limes trees. we assume it continue on along the foot of the mountain behind the thick grove of trees and on down the valley toward the Blue lake. One thing for sure it didn't go over the mountain. And when it was going over the lake it was traveling westerly. the color of object was metallic gray. this thing we saw is no flying saucer, nose cone of missile, or Satellite. But what ever it is I say in my opinion its man made, man operate, and man driven and what a terrific speed

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No Case (Information Only)

22 July 1960  
Kennebunkport, Maine

Source: UFO Investigator July-August 1960

July 22: Kennebunkport, Maine—  
The editor of the Weekly Star, John  
N. Cole, after receiving a report  
that a UFO was hovering over the  
city, went outdoors with another  
observer and saw the object, clearly  
visible in the SE sky at night. The  
report came from Miss Barbara Storer,  
who had been studying the UFO through  
binoculars for twenty minutes. "It  
is a round object," she said, "and  
looks black...there is light shining  
from inside it, looking as if it  
comes from cross-shaped openings."  
Light also came from the top and  
bottom of the UFO, she said, as it  
moved slowly NE. Cole said the UFO  
appeared to be brighter than any  
star, and its white light waxed and  
waned in intensity.

20 case 25 July  
No Case (Information Only)

25 July 1960  
Atlanta, Georgia

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[REDACTED], dtd 9 August 1960.

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