

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 0/A 15 Sep 60	2. LOCATION Tulsa, Oklahoma		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1900 GMT 16/0100Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <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 Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-8 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE N-S-N	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Two witnesses observed object at about 20° above western horizon. Object, when traveling parallel with horizon, appeared oblong. However when it was traveling away from witnesses, it appeared U-shaped. When first observed, it was going N; made complete turn and headed south for approx 4 min; turned again and headed N; disappeared shortly thereafter. Appeared silver; did not shine; appeared soft or glowing. Did not resemble a/c. Had no wings; left no contrails.		11. COMMENTS Available information indicates witnesses probably saw reflection of sunlight off an a/c. Fact that the witnesses live near an airport does not mean they cannot misidentify a high-flying a/c with sunlight reflecting from it.	

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT		
Unidentified Flying Object		
AREA REPORTED ON	FROM Agency	EVALUATION
Tulsa, Oklahoma	Provost Marshal, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma	
DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	
4 November 1960	15 September 1960	
PREPARED BY (NAME)	SOURCE	
Kenneth F. West (CIV)	Mrs. [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

On or about 15 September 1960 at 1900 hours, Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED], East King Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, were in the [REDACTED] block on [REDACTED] Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, when they observed a strange object in the sky at about twenty degrees above the western horizon. The object, when traveling parallel with the horizon, had a distinct oblong appearance; however, when it was traveling away from the [REDACTED] it appeared to be U-shaped. When the object was first observed, it was traveling in a northerly direction. After traveling north for a short time it made a complete turn and headed due south. It traveled south for about four minutes, then turned north again and disappeared shortly thereafter. The object appeared to be silver color, however it did not shine but appeared to be soft or glowing. The object did not resemble any known aircraft. It had no wings and left no contrails. The total time elapsed in which the object was in view is estimated at eight minutes.

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On 28 September 1960, Special Agent Robert M. Atkisson, Detachment 1105, of the Office of Special Investigations, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was contacted by Mrs. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at King Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. [REDACTED] advised that she and her husband had sighted a strange object in the sky on approximately 15 September 1960. She explained her delay in reporting the sighting to the OSI as being afraid she would appear foolish.

On 29 September 1960, Atkisson interviewed Mrs. [REDACTED] at her residence. She stated that about two weeks ago, on or about 15 September 1960, (exact date not known) she and her husband were driving west in the [REDACTED] block [REDACTED] Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The sun had just gone beyond the horizon and made the sky extremely red. Both she and her husband observed an oblong object in the sky about twenty degrees above the horizon traveling in a northerly direction. After traveling north for a short time the object made a complete turn and headed south, traveling south for about four minutes, then turning due north again until it disappeared. The object was in view from five to eight minutes. When traveling north and south it had a distinct oblong appearance; however, when it went into turns, it appeared to be U-shaped. It had no wings and left no contrails. The object appeared to be silver in color but did not glare nor reflect the sunlight. It appeared to be soft or glowing. It appeared to be quite high and traveling about the same speed as Echo 1. No aircraft was in the air during the time the object was in view and the object did not resemble any known aircraft.

When Atkisson attempted to determine the exact date the object was sighted, Mrs. [REDACTED] stated that it was the same day that a new satellite was launched. She advised that she was referring to the first major satellite launching following Echo 1. She recalled an article appearing in a Tulsa, Oklahoma newspaper and believed the Satellite was called Oochie. Mrs. [REDACTED] stated that she had called a newspaper, weather bureau, and a Government office the day after the sighting but no one appeared to be interested.

Mrs. [REDACTED] is a heavy set woman about fifty years old. Her husband is a barber in Tulsa. Both she and her husband wear glasses for close work but she advised that both have excellent vision at a distance. She appears to be in good health. Her conversation with Atkisson was rational, however she took offence to questions if she could interpret them as doubting her story. Neither she nor her husband flies an aircraft. She advised that she has resided near the Tulsa Municipal Airport all of her life. Her home at present is approximately two miles from the Tulsa Airport.

The foregoing information was received in the Provost Marshal Office on 13 October 1960, contained in a letter from the Commander, 11th District Office of Special Investigations.

This report is submitted in accordance with paragraph 4, AFR 200-2, dated 14 September 1959.

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

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Location TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Date (Local) 15 SEPT 1960 Hour (Local) 1900

Hour (Z Time Group) _____

Satellite: (Det 5 ATIC, Ext 3279) _____

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) _____

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) _____

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. POSSIBLY AIRCRAFT

Other _____

Evaluation of Source Reliability UNKNOWN -

Analysis and Conclusions: THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE REPORT IS VERY LIMITED BUT WHAT IS AVAILABLE INDICATES THAT THE WITNESSES PROBABLY SAW THE REFLECTION OF SUNLIGHT OFF OF AN AIRCRAFT. THE FACT THAT THE WITNESSES WERE NEAR AN AIRPORT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THEY CANNOT MIS-IDENTIFY A HIGH FLYING AIRCRAFT WITH SUN-LIGHT REFLECTING FROM IT. THE MOST PROBABLE CAUSE OF THIS SIGHTING IS LIGHT REFLECTED FROM AN AIRCRAFT.

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