

MILITARY AIR

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 Sep 60	2. LOCATION Salina, Kansas	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 17/0410Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE not given
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Sighting reported from T-33 pilot in the Salina Kansas area. A flash and streak of light was observed with many colors, blue green, red, etc. Duration of sighting was 30 sec. Pilot had flown for 20 years, and had never seen anything like it. Not a falling star. Thought to be meteorite or satellite reentry by pilot.		11. COMMENTS Object responsible for this sighting was probably the reentry of 1960 Kappa (Discoverer XVI), which reentered this date. Duration and multicolor indicate reentry rather than meteorite.

U F O ANALYSIS SHEET

DATE 16 Sept 1960 LOCATION SALINA, KANSAS

DATE TIME GROUP LOCAL 2210 GMT 170410

PHOTO YES NO PHYSICAL SPECIMEN YES NO

SOURCE MILITARY CIVILIAN TYPE OF OBSERVATION VISUAL

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 SECONDS NUMBER OF OBJECTS _____ COURSE _____

SATELLITE: IN ORBIT: _____ VERIFY YES: NO: _____ DECAY:

ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA _____

METEOR _____

STAR OR PLANET _____

OTHER _____

AIRCRAFT _____

BALLOON _____

INSUFFICIENT DATA _____

OTHER _____

REFLECTION _____ INVERSION PRESENT _____ PHOTO ANALYSIS _____

SUN DOG _____ LENTICULAR CLOUD _____ PHYSICAL SPECIMEN ANALYSIS _____

BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING:

REPORTING BY A T-33 PILOT FLYING IN THE SALINA, KANSAS AREA. A FLASH AND STREAK OF LIGHT AT ONE O'CLOCK HIGH W BY NW. MANY COLORS - BLUE, RED, GREEN, ETC.

DURATION OF SIGHTING: 30 SECONDS

PILOT THOUGHT THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A METEORITE OR POSSIBLY A SATELLITE REENTRY.

EVALUATION: CASE CATEGORY: SATELLITE REENTRY

CONCLUSION: ^{REENTRY} THE OBJECT FOR THIS SIGHTING WAS 1960 KAPPA (DISCOVERED 16) WHICH REENTERED ON THIS DATE.

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: AFGIN-4X2/Major Stroff/59117

SUBJECT: Extract from OD Report

19 SEP 1960

TO: AFGIN-4E2, Attn: Major Friend

Following report is extracted from the Officer of the Day Report for the period 0730, 16 Sep - 0730, 17 Sep 60:

REPORT SUPPLEMENT

At approximately 1030 hrs the DO received a telephone call from the Air Force Command Post concerning a UFO sighting. This call came to me at my regular duty office. I called Major Friend, Chief, Aerial Phenomena Group, to notify him of this call. He had knowledge of the reported sighting but requested that a report be made as a part of the DO report.

The sighting report is summarized as follows:

Time of sighting: 0410Z

Reported by a T-33 pilot flying in the Salina, Kansas area.

A flash and streak of light at one o'clock high W by NW.

Many colors- blue, red, green, etc.

Duration of sighting: 30 seconds.

Pilot has flown for 20 yrs. Had never seen anything like it.

Has seen many falling stars. Said this was not one. Pilot thought that it might have been a meteorite or possibly a satellite reentry."

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AFGIN-4E2

Prob Meteor