

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

<p>1. DATE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">18 Oct 60</p>	<p>2. LOCATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">8 mi S of Smethport, Pennsylvania</p>		<p>12. CONCLUSIONS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon</p>
<p>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</p> <p>Local _____</p> <p>CMT 19/0420Z</p>	<p>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar</p>		<p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft</p>
<p>5. PHOTOS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>8. SOURCE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Civilian</p>		<p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical Meteor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical</p>
<p>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Less than a minute</p>	<p>6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">one</p>	<p>9. COURSE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NNE</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown</p>
<p>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</p> <p>Round, red to reddish-white object, size of basketball at arm's length. Looked like a ball of fire with a dark center, was traveling at a high speed.</p>			<p>11. COMMENTS</p> <p>Object responsible for this sighting was probably a meteor.</p>

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/UNCLAS/FROM CIS-G OD-142. SUBJECT:

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT, THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE ^{with} PARAGRAPH 15, AFR 209-2:

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

- (1) ROUND
- (2) BASKETBALL AT ARMS LENGTH
- (3) RED TO REDISH-WHITE
- (4) ONE
- (5) NONE
- (6) LOOKED LIKE A BALL OF FIRE WITH A DARK CENTER.

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(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) INDIVIDUAL HAS NOT SEEN THE COLOR BEFORE OF THE FLAME

B. DESCRIPTION OF COUSE OF OBJECT:

(1) INDIVIDUAL SAW A FLASH OF BRIGHT LIGHT WHICH REFLECTED OFF HER CAR

(2) OBJECT WAS AT A 15 DEGREE ANGLE GOING NORTH TO NORTHEAST AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED. OBSERVER FEELS THAT OBJECT WOULD NOT CLEAR A 200 FOOT HILL IN THE AREA.

(3) SAME AS 2 ABOVE.

(4) NO MANEUVERS OBSERVED.

(5) BEHIND A HILL. TO THE NORTHEAST.

(6) LESS THAN ONE MINUTE.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND-VISUAL.

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

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(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBERVER:

8 MILES SOUTH OF SMETHPORT PENNA ON RT. 46, 41 DEGREES
41 MINUTES NORTH 78 DEGREES, 20 MINUTES WEST.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) CIVILIAN: ~~REDACTED~~

AGE: 35 OBSERVER SEEMS RELIABLE.

(2) NONE

G. WEATHER AND WINDS:

SURFACE CALM 37 FAHRENHEIT

NO OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

(3) CLEAR

(4) VISIBILITY 7 MILES

(5) NONE

(6) NONE

R. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE

K. 46215T SUPPORT GROUP ADC) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

FLYING TIGAR

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AIRLINE PLANE CROSSED AREA OF SIGHTING ABOUT 2 HOURS
AFTER THE INCIDENT OCCURED AND REPORTED TWO
FIRES CLOSE TOGETHER. INCIDENT WAS LOCALLY INVESTIGATED
UNIL 0915 19 OCT WHEN USAF WAS NOTIFIED.

TWO AIR FORCE PERSONNEL WENT TO AREA AND PERSONALLY
INVESTIGATED AS A RESULT OF AIRLINE CORRELATION WITH
GROUND OBSERVATION. FIRES WERE TO DETERMINED TO BE
THOSE OF LOCAL SAW MILLS IN AREA. HELICOPTER SEARCH
OF AREA REVEALED NO SIGN OF ANY CRASH OR BURNING.

POSSIBLE CAUSE OF SIGHTING IS METEORITE.

L. NONE

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