PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 22 Dec 60	Bentwaters, England		12.	CONCLUSIONS Was Balloon Probably Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1501 GMT 22/1501Z 5. PHOTOS D No	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION D Ground-Visual Air-Visual 6. SOURCE Military	Ground-Rodor Air-Intercept Rodor	0 000 000 00	Possibly Balloon Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Was Astronomical Probably Astronomical Meteor Possibly Astronomical Other Insufficient Data for Evaluation Unknown
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE		
Round, size of half dollar, bright green in center, yellowish green at sides. Appeared to move at high rate of speed. Appeared 55-60° elevation, 310° azimuth. Disappeared 25-30° elevation, elo° azimuth. Straight flight path. Object appeared to have rotating motion. Disappeared behind cloud deck. Reported meteor sighting at same time 4 mi N.		There were no satellites reentering at this time. Description and duration are characteristic of a meteor.		

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NM 81ST TFW RAF BENTWATERS ENG

TO RJWFAL/ENT AFB COL

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC

RJEZHQ/SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE WASHINGTON DC

INFO RJFPBW//USAFE LINDSEY AS GER

RJDLDUA/3AF SORUISLIP ENG

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ACTION: ADC; ATIC: AFCIN AND SAFIS, USAF, INFO: IDC, USAFE 3IDC, 3AF. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS REPORT. THIS REPORT SUBMITTED IAW AFR 200-2, PARAGRAPH 15:

A. (1) ROUNB.

(2) HALF-DOLLAR

WTIES. BRIGHT GREEN IN CENTER, YELLOWISH GREEN AT ETR

(4) 1

(5; N/A

(6) APPEARED TO HAVE VERY THIN, STRAIGHT, DARK, APPENDAGES

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ET HAVE WELL DENINED EDGE.

- (7) N/A
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- B. 1) THE BRIGHT COLOT.

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- B. 1) THE BRIGHT COLOT.
 - -(2) 55DEGREES-SØDEGREES ELEVATION, 310 DEGREES AZIMUTH.
 - (3) 25DEGREES-30DEGREES ELEVATION, 310 DEGREES AZIMUTH.
- (4) STRAIGHT FLIGHT PATH. OBJECT APPEARED TO HAVE ROTATING MOTION.
 - (5) DISAPPEARED BEHING CLOUD DECK.
 - (6) 3 SECONDS.
- C. 1) GROUND-VISUAL
 - (2) NONE
 - (3) N/A
- D.(1) 22/1501
 - (2) DAY.
- E. 5208N-0127E 1000'NW OF BENTWATERS CONTROL TOWER.
- F.(1) NGXA
- (2) ALBERT M. RIES, CAPTAIN, HQ 81ST TAC FTR WG, APO 755, N.Y.
 N.Y., RELIABLE SOURCE.

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G.(1) HIGH DECK OF THIN ALTO CUMULOUS IN NW. LOWER DECK OF BRÖKEN HIGH STRATUS. NO HAZE. NO OBSCURATION.

(2) SURFACE 300/08 20,000 360/85

6,000 359/30 30.000 359/100

10,000 360/30 50,000 340/20

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ZE.

- (5) 3/8
- (6) N/A
- (7) UNKNOWN
- H. ANOTHER OBSERVER 4 MILES SSW THOUGHT HE SAW A "METEORITE" AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME.
- I. NONE
- J. NONE
- C. NO CORROBORATING EVIDENCE WAS PRODUCED AS A RESULT OF CONTACTS
 WITH LOCAL RADAR UNITS, CONTROL TOWER PERSONNEL, AND PILOTS AIRBORNE AT THE TIME FOR SIGHTING. THE ONLY SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
 IS THAT INDICATED IN "H" ABOVE. THIS OBSERVER SAW A LIGHT (BUT NOT
 ITS OURCE) IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE SIGHTING. THE ATTRIBUTED

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IT TO METIOTITE-TYPE PHENOMENON. IT IS THE OPINION OF THE PREPARING OFFICER THAT THIS IS THE MOST PROBALBLE EXPLANATION.

1. NONE.V

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