

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 Jul 61	2. LOCATION Bethlehem, Connecticut		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0010 GMT 040510Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input 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 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 15 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE NE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, distinct form at first, twinkled later when passing overhead. Size of quarter, bright red. Appeared 0° elev, 270° az. Disappeared 50° elev, 110° az. Straight path--slow apparent motion. Seemed to disappear behind high thin clouds to SE.		11. COMMENTS Presence of just 1 light rules out possibility of a/c, especially when only 1 red light was seen when it was near overhead. Additional info from witness indicates that another individual made a similar observation, and this individual determined objt was a helium filled weather balloon released by an artist. Artist released balloons on 4 and 5 Jul 61. Objt in question was probably balloon released on 4 July.		

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FM 57AIRDIV WELLSVILLE AFB MISS

TO RJAHPAL ADC INT AFB COLO

WJZM 26AIRDIV HANCOCK FLD NY

WJED 07ATIC WPAFB OHIO

RJEZM/COFFS USAF

RJEZM/01AF WASH DC

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UNCLAS 990001 7975. FOR AFDIN AND SAFIN.

REFERENCE OUR 9900017937. FURTHER

COMMUNICATION FROM OBSERVER, DR [REDACTED], INDICATED THAT SIMILAR

OBSERVATION WAS MADE BY ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL ON FOLLOWING DAY.

THIS INDIVIDUAL MADE HIS OWN INVESTIGATION AND DETERMINED THAT

PHENOMENON WERE ACTUALLY HELIUM FILLED WEATHER BALLOONS RELEASED

BY AN ARTIST NAMED TALBOT AT WASHINGTON CONN WITH RAILROAD

FLARES ATTACHED. THESE RELEASE OCCURRED ON THE MORNING OF

4 AND 5 JULY. PREVAILING WINDS WOULD HAVE CARRIED BALLOONS

ON COURSE DESCRIBED. BELIEVE THIS SATISFACTORILY EXPLAINS THE

PHENOMENON.

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FM 57AIRDIV WESTOVER AFB MASS  
TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO  
RJEZSN/26AIRDIV HANCOCK FLD NY  
RJEDSQ/ATIC WPAFB OHIO  
RJEZHQ/COFS USAF  
RJEZHQ/OSAF WASH DC

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REFERENCE AFR 200-2. PARAGRAPH 15.

A. (1) ROUND - DISTINCT FORM AT FIRST, TWINKLED LATER WHEN  
PASSING OVERHEAD.

(2) QUARTER DOLLAR

(3) BRIGHT RED

(4) 1

(5) N/A

(6) NONE

(7) NONE

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(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. (1) RED LIGHT ON WESTERN HORIZON WHERE NO LIGHTS ARE NOR-  
MALLY PRESENT.

(2) 0 DEGREE ELEV - 270 DEGREE AZ.

(3) 50 DEGREE ELEV - 110 DEGREE AZ.

TELEPHONED  
TO \_\_\_\_\_  
NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_

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(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. (1) RED LIGHT ON WESTERN HORIZON WHERE NO LIGHTS ARE NORMALLY PRESENT.

(2) 3 DEGREE ELEV - 270 DEGREE AZ.

(3) 50 DEGREE ELEV - 110 DEGREE AZ.

(4) STRAIGHT PATH - SLOW APPARENT MOTION.

(5) SEEMED TO DISAPPEAR BEHIND HIGH THIN CLOUDS TO S.E.

(6) 15 MIN.

C. (1) GROUND VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) N/A.

D. (1) 0510Z - 0025Z 4 JUL 61

(2) NIGHT.

E. WESTERN SIDE OF TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, CONN. HOUSE IS [REDACTED]  
OF [REDACTED] - [REDACTED].

F. (1) [REDACTED], AGE 46, BETHLEHEM, CONN, VET, DR.

[REDACTED] IS CAPT, USAFR, PILOT, WW II.

(2) N/A.

G. (1) CAVU - HIGH THIN CLOUDS TO SE.

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(2) SURFACE - 300/4, 6,000 FT - 270/25, 12,000 FT - 250/35,  
16,000 FT - 250/45, 20,000 FT - 250/60, 30,000 FT - 230/75,  
50,000 FT - 230/30, 80,000 FT -

(3) 10,000 FT

(4) 15 MI

(5) 8000 FT SCATTERED - 10,000 FT BROKEN

(6) NONE

H. NONE.

I. NONE.

J. NO INFO AVAILABLE.

MAJ ROBERT E. NELSON, CHIEF, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH



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(3) 10,000 FT

(4) 15 MI

(5) 8000 FT SCATTERED - 10,000 FT BROKEN

(6) NONE

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K. MAJ ROBERT F. NELSON, CHIEF, COMBAT INTELLIGENCE BRANCH,  
INTELLIGENCE DIV, 99TH BOMB WING, WESTOVER AFB MASS.

DR. ████████ STATES THAT HE HAS SEEN TRANSITORY AERIAL  
PHENOMENA WHEN FLYING BUT THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT  
HE HAS EVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. HE SAID THAT THE SIGH-  
TING COULD BE CORROBORATED BY TWO YOUNG BOYS, AGE 15 WHO  
WERE PRESENT.

L. NONE

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