

**PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD**

<b>1. DATE</b> 18 Jul 62	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Toledo, Spain		<b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
<b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b> Local _____ GMT 18/2300Z	<b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> <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 type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
<b>5. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>6. SOURCE</b> Civilian		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
<b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 12-15 mins	<b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> one	<b>9. COURSE</b> NW to SE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Echo I</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b> It appeared to be fast traveling far, seemed to shine more brightly times.		<b>11. COMMENTS</b> Echo I still in orbit. At 00.17 on 18 Jul 62, Echo I was at 82dgr elev north of Madrid moving SE. It is possible that echo was wit- nessed by obsvr. The satellite placed in orbit by the Thor Rocket decayed on 25 Jul 62; the rocket body, on 27 Jul 62.	

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, INTELLIGENCE  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE TRANSLATION NO. I-1946

LANGUAGE: Spanish TRANSLATOR: A.W.H.

SUBJECT: Letter

19 July 1962

Aeronautics and Space Administration  
Cape Canaveral, Florida  
U.S.A.

Gentlemen:

Last night, on the 18th of this month, at about 12 o'clock, when I was with my children, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], 12, 13 and 8 years of age respectively, talking about the universe, mainly the Ursae Majoris, one of them said to me, "how fast that star is travelling that is going to pass close to the pole of the carriage." We looked and we saw what appeared to be a star travelling very rapidly. We thought it was Echo I, but it had been a long time since we had heard of it. I told my children that you had probably launched another satellite like Echo I, since it looked like it. It seemed to be travelling from northwest to southeast, and we watched it for a period of some 12-15 minutes, from the time we saw it until it disappeared, and it passed almost directly over us. Today I see in the newspaper that with a Thor rocket you have launched a folded satellite to be inflated in the atmosphere to a diameter of 40 meters. That is why I am reporting this to you. We are very proud if we have been among those to have seen it, during the few minutes of its existence, perhaps burning upon re-entering our atmosphere, for at times it appeared to shine more brightly. I am very happy to send you these observations, in the hope that they may be of some help to you in your research. It may or may not be the satellite spoken of in the newspaper today, but we actually saw what I have described to you...

Very truly yours,

/s/ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Puebla de Almoradiel (Toledo)

MARCEL GARCIA VERA VERA  
Av. de Salvo Ochoa, 44  
CALLE DE MARCEL,  
19 de Julio de 1.962

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Dirección General de Aeronáutica y del Espacio  
Cabo Cañaberal, Florida (Estados Unidos)

Res.

En la noche pasada, del 13 del actual, sobre las 12 horas, estandu con mis hijos ~~de 12, 10 y 6 años respectivamente~~, hablando del Universo, principalmente del grupo de estrellas que mayor, uno de ellos me dice "padre, mira qué deprisa camina aquella estrella que va a pasar junto a la punta de lanza del carro", efectivamente hacia allí miramos y vemos, como una estrella que camina muy deprisa, creyendo se trataría del 1001, pero se está ya hacia mucho tiempo que no tenemos noticias, y pensé que le dije a mis hijos que es que probablemente habrían lanzado ustedes otro globo igual o parecido al citano 1001, ya que se veía igual; caminaba a mi parecer de Noroeste-Sureste y lo estuvimos viendo por espacio de unos 12/15 minutos hasta que nos fijamos en el hasta su desaparición, y poco muy por encima nuestra está que la vemos. Como hoy veo en la prensa, que han lanzado ustedes, en un avión, un globo igual o muy parecido a la atmósfera hasta un punto que se lo han visto, después de unos pocos minutos de estancia o que fuera que se lo han visto, contactó con nuestra atmósfera, ya que a ellas parecía que unas condiciones estas de evacuación, por si en su nóstia, pueden servirle para algo en sus planes investigaciones. Me da a sí el globo de que habla hoy la prensa, pero lo que me da a sí es que vino, lo que les relato. Mi esposa a quien llamó mi hija, cuando ya le veíamos unos 3 minutos estuvo hasta que se nos perdió e vi a. le le mal y les di un abrazo de mis hijos y me un afectuoso abrazo,

~~Marcel Garcia Vera~~

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DIRECCION GENERAL DE AERONAUTICA Y DEL ESPACIO

CABO CAJABERAL (FLORIDA)

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**CORREO AEREO  
AIR MAIL**

**CERTIFICADO**  
20 JUL 64  
QUEBLAS PALM SPRING  
1950-64

Estación Unida **ESR**

18 JULY 62

October 5, 1962

Dear Mr. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

Your letter of July 16, 1962 to Cape Canaveral has been referred to this office. I regret the delay, however your letter was directed to several offices before finally reaching the office of primary interest.

Our records indicate that Echo I, which is still in orbit, would have been north of Madrid moving in a southeasterly direction at 17 minutes after midnight on 18 July, 1962. It should have been at an elevation of 82 degrees, which would put it in the line of sight you have indicated with reference to Ursae Majoris.

May we express our appreciation for your interest and promptness in reporting your sighting.

Sincerely,

W. J. LOOKADOO  
Lt. Colonel, USAF  
Public Information Div  
Office of Information

HEADQUARTERS  
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION  
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: TD-E/Col Wynn

2 October 1962

SUBJECT: Request for UFO Information ([REDACTED])

TO: Hq USAF  
SAFOI-3b (Major Hart)  
Wash 25 DC

1. Reference the attached letter from [REDACTED] furnishing information on unidentified flying objects. This letter is forwarded to your office for whatever action you deem necessary.

2. Echo I is still in orbit. At 00.17 on 18 July 1962, Echo I was at 32 degrees elevation, north of Madrid moving southeast. It is possible that Echo was witnessed by Mr. [REDACTED] and his children. The satellite placed in orbit by the Thor Rocket decayed on 25 July 1962; the rocket body, on 27 July 1962. We express our appreciation for Mr. [REDACTED] interest and promptness in reporting the object.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Edward H. Wynn*  
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Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Science  
and Components

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