PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
10 Mar 59	Grand Bahama Island, West Indies	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 0900-0925Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Military	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 25 mins	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** varied
		☐ Other _____ ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

FPS-8 Radar picked up obj which maneuvered & followed missile subsonic test from Patrick AFB at 0918Z. Obj converged on missile & scope then received returns of both missile & obj. WX clear & no interference.

11. COMMENTS

No a/c connected with test. Check for a/c in area negative. Request for additional information as to Navy & other possible a/c in vicinity not replied to. Obj was probably an a/c, however source not concluded. Case listed as insufficient data since confirmation of specific a/c not available.

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[redacted]/CITE MTGRY-03-01-59. UFO DISCOVERED ON FPS-8 SURVEILLANCE RADAR SCOPE LOCATED IN GRAND BAHAMA ISLAND INCHE BAHAMAS. OBJECT MANEUVERED 50-70 MILES SOUTH SOUTHEASE GRAND BAHAMA AUXILIARY AIR FORCE BASE ON HEADING OF 145 DEGREES. OBJECT COMPLETED 2 LARGE CIRCLES AT SPEED OF 200 TO 300 KNOTS, THEN COMPLETED FIGURE 8 MANEUVER. AT APPROX 0918Z SUBSONIC TEST MISSILE PASSED OBJECT WHICH CONVERGED ON MISSILE ON INTERCEPT COURSE OF 60 DEGREES. IMAGES ON RADAR SCREEN MERGED. MISSILE DISAPPEARED FROM SCOPE SOUTH SOUTHEAST HEADING. OBJECT DISAPPEARED GRADUALLY FROM SCOPE ON 60 DEGREE HEADING. UFO OBSERVED DISTINCTLY

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BY GROUND ELECTRONIC METHODS, OVER OPEN SEA FOR 25 MINUTES. OBJECT SIGHTED AT NIGHT, NOTHING VISUAL, 0900Z DISAPPEARED 0925Z 10 MARCH 1959. SIGHTING MADE BY MR [redacted] A TRAINED, EXPERIENCED CIVILIAN CONTRACT EMPLOYEE OF AIR FORCE MISSILE TEST CENTER. WEATHER CLEAR NO RADAR INTERFERENCE PROBLEMS. NO AIRCRAFT CONNECTED WITH TEST AT TIME OF SIGHTING. RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, NO TRAFFICNIN AREA. MIAMI AIRWAYS ROUTE TRAFFIC CONTROL QUERIED, NO TRAFFIC EITHER CIVILIAN OR MILITARY IN AREA. INITIAL REPORT GIVEN CHIEF INTELLIGENCE BRANCH AT 1550Z. SEVERAL RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS, BASE COMMANDER, GRAND BAHAMA AUXILIARY AIR FORCE BASE, RADAR OPERATOR ALL FIVE IDENTICAL REPORT ON FACTUAL INFORMATION. NO COMMENT ON POSSIBLE IDENTITY
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FROM: AFCIN-4E1

DATE: 15 Apr 59

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1. Reference is made to DF from your office, dated 31 Mar 59, subject as above. The following additional information is needed to make an evaluation of this report.

a. The type of missile and the object of the particular test including programmed range, altitude and speed, and whether on its prescribed course.

b. The location of any chase or observation aircraft and the assigned role of each.

c. The locations, type, and mission of any U. S. Naval units in the general area and especially any units on maneuvers.

2. The requested evaluation of the report will be made upon receipt of the above information.

GORDON C. HOFEMAN
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4E1

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[redacted] FROM: AFCIN-4E4g IC-40929

YOUR MSG MTGRY -03-01-59, DTD 12 MAR 59, REQUEST THE FOLLOWING INFO TO ENABLE THIS CENTER TO BETTER EVALUATE THIS REPORT: WHAT WAS THE TYPE OF MISSILE FIRED AND THE OBJECT OF THE PARTICULAR TEST INCLUDING PROGRAMMED RANGE, ALTITUDE AND SPEED, AND WHETHER ON ITS PRESCRIBED COURSE. THE LOCATION, TYPE, AND MISSION OF ANY U. S. NAVAL UNITS IN THE GENERAL AREA AND ESPECIALLY ANY UNITS ON MANEUVERS. CHECK THE POSSIBILITY OF THE OBJECT BEING AN AIRCRAFT FROM ONE OF THE AIRFIELDS SOUTH OF FLORIDA.

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E4 [signature] DATE 21 Apr 59
Col Rethman

AFCIN-4E [signature] DATE 4/22/59
Col Gilbert

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