PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
7 Nov 61

2. LOCATION
Arlington Heights. Illinois

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local _____
GMT 070755Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Ground-Radar
☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☒ No

6. SOURCE
Military and Civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
1 min

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
3

9. COURSE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 3 objts in trail at high speed azimuth 115°, elev unknown. Lost in ground clutter. Speed established at 4000 knots.

11. COMMENTS Type of radar not included. Radar analyst not able to evaluate without knowing scope operation characteristics such as number of rpm's etc. Case listed as insufficient data.

12. CONCLUSIONS
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☐ Other _____
☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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ACTION: CIN-17

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (24)

SMB C 283

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ZNR

P 072045Z

FM CHADS TRUAX FLD WIS

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

ZEN/30ADIV TRUAX FLD WIS

RJEDSG/ATIC WP AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF WASHDC

RJEZHQ/OSAF WAHSDC

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UNCLAS CHOIN 11009-61. SUBJECT: UFO. FOR INTELL-

IGENCE (ADOIN, 30-OIN) AND SAFOI. REF PAR 15, AFR 200-2.

A. (1)-(3) NOT REPORTED. (4) THREE (5) IN TRAIL (6)-(9) NOT

REPORTED. B. (1) HIGH SPEED (2) NO ELEVATION; AZIMUTH APPROX

115 DEGREES (3) SAME AS (2) (4) NO MANEUVERING (5) TWO INTO

GROUND CLUTTER, OTHER UNKNOWN. (6) ONE MINUTE EACH. C. (1)

RADAR. (2)(3) NONE. D. (1) 7 NOV 1961, 0755A (2) NIGHT. E. (1)

88 DEG 00 MIN WEST 42 DGE 05 MIN NORTH. (2) GJCN0105. F. (1)

[redacted], ALL EMPLOYED BY THE

MARTIN COMPANY. (2) LT [redacted], LT [redacted], 2ND LIEUTENANTS

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US ARMY, 45 ARTILILLARY BRIGADE, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS (MISSILE MASTER). G (1) NONE (2) A 210/05; B270/25; C 290/45; D 290/50; E 320/60; F 340/80; G 270/40; H UNK. (3) 4000 FT (4) 15 MILES (5) SCATTERED (6) NONE. H. NONE. I. NONE J NONE REPORTED K. 2LT BORLAND 45 ARTY BRIGADE (2) SEE M, BELOW. (3) NONE L. NONE M. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT WAS SENT WITH THE REPORT OF THIS SIGHTING: AT APPROXIMATELY 0755Z, 7 NOV 1961, SEVERAL EMPLOYEES OF MARTIN COMPANY AND ARMY PERSONNEL AT COMMUNICATOR (RE ARTY BRIGADE) OBSERVED THREE UNUSUAL RADAR RETURNS ON THE LONG RANGE RADAR. THREE OBJECTS WERE OBSERVED APPROCHING THE CHICAGO AREA FROM ESE WITH 30 SECOND SEPARATION AT SPEEDS IN EXCESS OF 4000 KNOTS (FOUR THOUSAND KNOTS) THE RADAR RETURN WAS VERY SHARP WITH THE VIDEO TILTED ABOUT 30 DEGREES DUE TO THE GIGH SPEED OF OBJECTS. AN ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO DETERMINE THE ALTITUDE OF THE OBJECTS BUT THEIR SPEED WAS BEYOND CAPABILITY OF THE EQUIPMENT. THE FIRST TWO OBJECTS VANISHED IN THE GROUND CLUTTER AND DID NOT REAPPEAR. THE THIRD OBJECT VANISHED ABOUT 100,000 YARDS PRIOR TO REACHING THE GROUND CLUTTER. IMMEDIATELY AFTER THESE SIGHTINGS, THE EQUIPMENT WAS TESTED AND FOUND TO BE IN PERFECT OPERATING ORDER. STATEMENT TAKEN BY

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