

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 April 1963	2. LOCATION Lorton, Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1345-1530 GMT 26/1845Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <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
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 one hour	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE stationary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Sun Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Moonshaped obj about 10 ft in diameter with green in clear light and blue through sunglasses turning to red as clouds passed. Obj viewed on and off over one hour duration. Observed in SE ascending and descending.		11. COMMENTS Investigation by Dr. Hynek and Major Coleman revealed that obj was viewed for about 1 hr instead of three as in initial rpt. And that the movement was confined to an area about 20-30 dgr below the sun. Obj did not change its relationship w/sun and sighting believed due to sun dog.	

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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OSAF FOR SAFOI. UFO. REF PARA 14, AFR 200-2.

A. (1) MOON SHAPED.

(2) 10 FEET IN DIAMETER.

(3) BLUE WITH SUNGLASSES: GREEN IN CLEAR BRIGHT

LIGHT, DISSOLVING IN RED.

(4) ONE.

(5) N/A

DATE	TIME
30	0830
MONTH	YEAR
APRIL	1963

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AFR 205-53

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(6) MOON SHAPED.

(7) NONE.

(8) NONE.

(9) DESCENDED AND THEN ASCENDED.

B. (1) SUNBATHING AND OBSERVING CLOUDS.

(2) 500 ~~FEET~~ YARDS TO THE SOUTHEAST AND ABOVE.

(3) DISAPPEARED UPWARDS, DISSOLVING IN RED.

(4) DESCENDED TOWARD THE GROUND AND ASCENDED, RE-
PEATING SEVERAL TIMES.

(5) DISAPPEARED AS RED GLARE DIRECTLY OVERHEAD.

(6) OFF AND ON FOR ABOUT 3 HOURS.

C. (1) GROUND TO AIR VISUAL.



(2) FIRST OBSERVED WITH SUNGLASSES--STILL VISIBLE WITH
GLASSES REMOVED.

(3) N/A.


D. (1) 1600Z - 1830Z, 26 APRIL 1963.

(2) DAYLIGHT.

E. LORTON, VIRGINIA - SPRINGFIELD FARM.

F. CIVILIAN - MRS. PHONE 

G. (1) SCATTERED TO CLEAR.

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(2) SURFACE - 330/14.

8000 FEET - 340/18.

10000 FEET - 340/36.

16000 FEET - 330/46.

20000 FEET - 320/46.

30000 FEET - 300/60.

50000 FEET - 300/60.

80000 FEET - NOT AVAILABLE.

(3) CEILING - NONE.

(4) VISIBILITY - 15 MILES.

(5) CLEAR, BECOMING 4/10 by 1830Z.

(6) NONE.

(7) 6 DEGREE CENTIGRANS COLDER THAN STANDARD TO 2700

FEET, BECOMING STANDARD AT 34000 FEET, THEN 6 DEGREES CENTI-
GRAVE WARMER THAN STANDARD ABOVE 34000 FEET.

H. NONE.

I. NONE.

J. ABOVE AREA UNTIL IT DISAPPEARED.

K. CALL TAKEN BY CAPTAIN M.G. HARTENBOWER, JR. BASE
OPERATIONS DUTY OFFICER.

L. NONE.

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Major William Coleman and I visited Mrs. [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Virginia on 13 June 1963 to interrogate her further on the UFO sighting she reported to have occurred on [REDACTED]. Both Major Coleman and I talked with her.

As a witness Mrs. [REDACTED] did not impress me-- Basically unsure and unreliable not only as to details but as to major facts. While in no sense a disturbed person; still she appeared to me more emotional than intellectually critical or observant.

I asked her to go over her original observation. Perhaps the most significant new item occurred when I asked her to point simultaneously--one arm to the position of the object; the other to the position of the sun at that time. The mean of several repetitions indicated strongly that the angle was between 20 and 30 degrees and, hence, that the phenomenon she saw might have been a sun dog. She stated that during the hour's observation, the object did not move relative to the sun which statement was contrary to her original testimony. She also stated that when a cloud passed over the object, the object turned reddish at the edges.

In view of the above scanty and generally uncritical observations, it seems entirely possible that Mrs. [REDACTED] had observed a typical sun dog.

EDWARD J. LINEHAN
Box 24-L, ROUTE 2
LORTON, VIRGINIA

May 21, 1963

Dr. J. A. Hynek
Dearborn Observatory
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Dr. Hynek:

The enclosed slides were taken on May 11th between 2 and 2:30 PM, EDST, with a Leica M3, Summaron F 3.5 cm wide angle lens, at f16 and f22 apertures.

You will notice that slides 3,4,5 and 7 show disc shaped sun reflections. These appear only where the sun was framed deliberately in the viewfinder. Possibly the same effect was produced by my own lenses, which are corrected for my extreme near-sightness. My sun glasses are stronger than the others. And, of course, there may be no relationship.

Since we discussed sources of reflection, I do want to remind you again that we have a small pond at the foot of our property which was clear because of the dry weather we were experiencing.

I hope the slides will be helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

