

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8 October 1957	2. LOCATION Elmendorf, Alaska	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Sputnik I</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0503</u> GMT <u>08/1503Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE Military		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not given	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE East	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Satellite observed at 20 dgrs above horizon, climbed rapidly and steadily toward zenith, passing directly overhead, continuing toward & dropping below the eastern horizon bright as any star or planet visible. Single white point of reflected light.		11. COMMENTS Third state of Russian satellite, Sputnik I.	

ATC
 8 Oct 57 1422
 In Conference with Dr. Miley, Dr. Miley
 and Capt. Miley - discussed
 Sallenger at that location
 at time and dates given.
 9 October 1957

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 2-4A2
 3-4A2
 4-4F1
 5-4F3
 6-4C
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JEDWP H115T WPD134 NYC132 QXB203 QDA073 KQA116AGA059)

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P 081722Z

FM CONDR AAC APO 942 SEATTLE WASHINGTON

TO RJEPHQ (CHIEF OF STAFF HQ USAF)

INFO RJEDWP/WRIGHT PATTERSON AF BASE OHIO

BT

UNCLAS OI 00497. FOR AFCIN.

0503 Local *See Attachment for corr.*
SATELLITE OBSERVED FROM ~~08/1503Z TO 08/1503:30Z~~ AT ELMENDORF AFB, ^{To} 1503Z
ALASKA, BY SIX QUALIFIED OBSERVERS FROM THE 5004TH AIR INTELLIGENCE ^{1506:30Z}
SERVICE SQUADRON. SATELLITE (FIRST OBSERVED AT 20 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON)
ON AN (AZIMUTH OF 296 DEGREES TRUE FROM ELMENDORF AFB) SATELLITE (CLIMBED
(RAPIDLY AND STEADILY) TOWARD THE ZENITH, PASSING DIRECTLY OVERHEAD,
CONTINUING TOWARD AND (DROPPING BELOW THE EASTERN HORIZON AT AN AZIMUTH
OF 116 DEGREES. (REMAINED IN SIGHT) DURING ENTIRE PERIOD OF OBSERVATION.
(DISAPPEARED INTO DAWN LIGHTING ON EASTERN HORIZON. (APPEARED AS BRIGHT
AS ANY STAR OR PLANET VISIBLE. (APPEARED AS (SINGLE WHITE POINT OF REF-
LECTED LIGHT. ALL SIX OBSERVERS HAD SHARP, CLEAR SIGHTING WITH THE

8 Oct 57

1503 to 1506 Z =
Alaska 1506
-200
6:00 AM

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(NAKED EYE) SEEING CONDITIONS OPTIMUM. LIGHT OF FULL MOON, CLOSE TO
HORIZON, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY THIN LIGHT CIRRUS CLOUDS. COLOUD COND-
ITIONS 2/10 HIGH THIN CIRRUS. (TWO PHOTOS TAKEN WITH (LEICA 35 MM BODY,
(40 CM LENS, WILL BE AIRMAILED IMMEDIATELY. AZIMUTHS GIVEN IN THIS REPORT
WILL BE VERIFIED TODAY.]

BT

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*This probably
third stage satellite
JH*

1 Copy for D. L.

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P 082123Z

FM COMDR AAC ELMENDORF AFB ALASKA

TO RJEPHQ/C OF S HQ USAF WASHDC

INFO RJEDWP/IOMDR ATIC WPAFB

BT

UNCLASSIFIED FROM AAC OI 07760

FOR AFCIN. SO MUCH OF CITED MESSAGE 01-00497 AS READS

"SATELLITE OBSERVED FROM 08/1503Z TO 08/1503:30Z" IS AMENDED TO READ

"SATELLITE OBSERVED FROM 08/1503Z TO 08/1506:30Z."

BT

08/2155Z OCT RJKDAG

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✓ 1-4E4
2-4A2
3-4X2a
4-4F1
5-4F3
6-4C

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DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

(U) Request for Analysis - UFO Photography

TO AFCIN-4A2f

FROM AFCIN-4E4

DATE 15 Nov 57 *828*

COMMENT NO. 1

4E4/Capt G.T. Gregory/wm
69216

In accordance with established policies for the careful review and analysis of UFO photography, request review of the attached photo and the results be made known to this office by comment hereon. Request two copies of photo be made.

1 Incl

Ltr fr Mr. *[redacted]*
w/photo

HENRY A. MILEY
AFCIN-4E4

TO: AFCIN-4E4

FROM: AFCIN-4A2f

DATE: 18 Nov 57

COMMENT NR 2

Maj R. M. Buckmaster/11
Ext 5-9196/Bldg 263/E-N

1. An analysis of the negative and print concludes that the object in question is actual and it is not believed to be a fraud. The object could have been caused by any one of the suggestions given on buckslip by Captain Gregory or Mr. *[redacted]* in his report of incident.

2. Inclosed are requested prints. It is noted that the print submitted by Mr. *[redacted]* was printed in reverse but this would have no bearing on photo reproduction.

2 Incl

Incl 1 n/c

ADDED 1 Incl

2. Prints of pic

Robert M. Buckmaster

ROBERT M. BUCKMASTER
Major, USAF
AFCIN-4A2f

DD FORM 96
1 FEB 50

REPLACES NME FORM 96, 1 OCT 48, WHICH MAY BE USED

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This case includes
one 5" x 7" photo
of sighting at
Elemendorf, Alaska
8 Oct 57



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ALASKA/IR-5004-11-57/2-G: Elmendorf AFB - Track
of USSR Earth Satellite 8 Oct 57