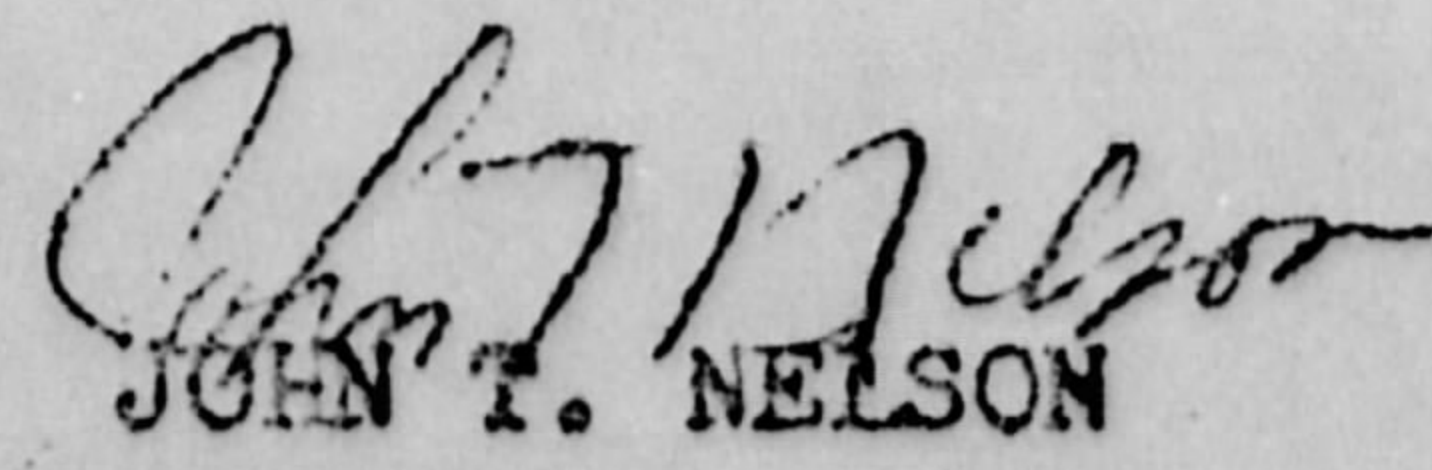


PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 October 1957		2. LOCATION Avon Park, Florida		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1950 GMT 19/0050Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION few seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Stationary object with "in center" white light. Object itself was red-dish in color. After a few seconds it moved out of sight very fast. Obj had a tail train similar to jet on take off. Second observer seemed to think light just went out rather than moving out of sight.				11. COMMENTS Probable meteor sighting.	

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660th AGC Sqdn.
MacDill AFB, Fla.

FROM Bombing Range Officer
Aven Park BGR
Aven Park, Fla.

DATE 22 Oct 57

COMMENT NO. 1

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

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