[redacted] PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
27 February, 1960	Las Vegas, Nevada	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 27/0530Z	**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** Civilian	☐ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2-15 seconds	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** East
		☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Circular object size of silver dollar at arm's length, white to light green color with a tail of sparks about ten times as long as the object. Looked like a shooting star.

11. COMMENTS

Description is typical of a large meteor.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 16 SEP 52)

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FM 4520 CCRTNGWG

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB

RJWZNF/27TH ADIV (DEF)

RJEDSQ/ATIC

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF

RJEZHQ/OSAF WASHDC

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UNCLAS OI-03 0009. ACTION ADC, 27TH AIRDIV, ATIC, COFS USAF (AFCIN) AND OSAF, (SAFIS). UFO PD ALFJ (1) CIRCULAR, (2) SILVER DOLLAR AT ARMS LENGTH, (3) HOT INANDESCENCE, WHITE TO LIGHT BLUISH GREEN (COMPARED TO ACETYLENE TORCH FLAME) (4) ONE (5) N/A, (6) VERY BRIGHT LIGHT, (7) TRAIL OF SPARKS ABOUT 10 TIMES LENGTH OF MAIN LIGHT SOURCE, (8) NONE, (9) COMMENT BY CIVILIAN A/P CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR: (THE OBSERVATION) WAS LIKE A METEOR OR FALLINGNSTAR, BUT WAS THE BRIGHTEST ONE HE HAD EVER SEEN. (ESTIMATED SIGHTING 10 TO 15 IN LAST SIX MONTHS). BRAVO (1)-THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE LIGHT, (2) 10 DEGREES TO 20 DEGREES

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FOXTOT (1) [redacted], 28 CIVILIAN CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR, [redacted] ST. NORTH LAS VEGAS NEVADA, ALFA TWO, (2) MR. [redacted], 37, POLICE PATROLEMAN, 400 N FORST ST. LAS VEGAS POLICE DEPT, ALFA TWO., (3) [redacted] 25, [redacted] LAS VEGAS., PATROLMAN., (4) MR. [redacted], 43, [redacted] LAS VEGAS NEVADA, SHEET METAL WORKER AT NELLIS AFB, BLDG 173 PHONE NR. [redacted], ALFA TWO., GOLF (1) CLEAR WITH THIN CLOUDS (2) 310 DEGREES/14 KNOTS, 170 DEGREES/4KNOTS, 310 DEGREES/12 KNOTS, 290 DEGREES/37KNOTS, 280/58KNOTS, 270/61KNOTS, 260/80KNOTS, AT 60,000 FEET 270/33KNOTS., (3) UNLIMITED, (4) 15 MILES PLUS, (5) HIGH THIM OVERCAST, (6) NONE (7) 47 DEGREE FAHRENHEIT (08 DEGREESCENTIGRADE). HOTEL NONE.,

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