

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 14 March, 1960		2. LOCATION Mather AFB, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 15/0420Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION by Sextant ☐ 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 SSE	
				☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Elongated white object, not burning but appearing to be in orbit at over 100,000 ft altitude first sighted through sextant at 32 deg azimuth due north and disappeared at 46 deg on a heading of 150 deg. Appeared to have characteristics of satellite. No pickup on radar.				11. COMMENTS Request for satellite information sent to Space Track, however no reply was received. All indications are that the object was in orbit. Sputnik 3 did not decay until April 6 so it is believed that this was the object, however since no confirming data was available, and the duration was not included in the report, the case is listed as insufficient data.	

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Date 15 MAR 60
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TO RJWFJL/ADCNENT AFB

RJWZSB/28 AIRDIV

RJEDSO/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB

RJEZNO/COFS USAF WASH DC

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UNCLAS FROM FLT SVC CITE 05 ACTION ADC 28 AD ATIC AFCIN AFOIS. UFO

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

1. ELONGATED
2. THUMBNAIL
3. WHITE
4. ONE
5. N/A
6. DID NOT BURN OUT
7. NONE
8. NONE

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C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

1. GROUND VISUAL SIGHTING THRU SEXTANT
2. SEXTANT
3. NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

1. 15/0402Z MARCH 60
2. NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER:

ON BASE MATHER AFB CALIF. (SACRAMENTO)

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

1. NONE
2. [REDACTED] AFB

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G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME & PLACE OF SIGHTINGS:

1. CLEAR & 50 MI VIS
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4. 15 PLUS
5. SCTD CI
6. NONE

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K. CLEARANCE OFFICER MFS HAMILTON AFB--NONCOMMENTS

L. NONE. NOTHING PICKED UP ON RADAR AT AC&W SITE AT MATHER AFB

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Request for Evaluation

13 April 1960

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Request your office determine the possibility of artificial satellites being responsible for the attached reports.

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Colonel, USAF
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1. In msg, Cite 05
2. In msg, Cite SRI A-2511