

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 24 Aug 60	2. LOCATION Vicinity Sitka, Alaska	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☒ Probably Astronomical Meteor ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>24</u> 1145Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian Pilot	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 1/2 to 2 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE NE
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright flash, yellowish, changing to green and then to red. Disappeared instantaneously to NE.		11. COMMENTS Description is characteristic of a meteor.

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FOR AFCIN AND OSAF AT USAF, INFO FOR J-2, ALCOM. SUBJECT: UNID

FLYING OBJ. A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: (1) BRIGHT FLASH

(2) NEG (3) YELLOWISH, CHANGING TO GREEN AND THEN TO RED (4)

N/A (5) N/A (6) NEG (7) N/A (8) NEG (9) NEG. B. DESCRIP-

TION OF COURSE OF OBJECT (1) BRIGHT FLASH (2) DIRECTLY OVERHEAD

OF A/C THAT SIGHTED FLASH. (3) 60DEGREES/7DEGREES-10DEGREES ABOVE

HORIZON. (4) 60DEGREES COURSE, 200DEGREES FROM A/C-NO MANEUVER (5)

INSTANTANEOUSLY TO N.E. (6) 1 1/2 TO 2 SECONDS. C. MANNER OF

OBSERVATION (1) AIR-VISUAL (2) N/A (3) DC-8, HDG 285DEGREES SEATTLE

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(HOME STATION) D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING (1) 1145Z/24 AUG 60. (2)
NIGHT E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: FOUR (4) MIN OFF DOMESTIC SITKA-
HEADING-285DEGREES MAGNETIC. F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON
OBSERVOR: (1) CAPTAIN ASHMAN (NORTHWEST AIRLINES PILOT) (2)
N/A G. WEATHER AND WINDS (1) NEG (2) NEG (3) NEG (4) NEG
(5) NEG (6) NEG (7) NEG H. NEG I. NEG J. NEG K.

ARTHUR G. LOCKARD, CAPTAIN, USAF. THE FLASH WAS 200DEGREES OFF THE
PILOTS WEST WING AND DESCENDING AT AN ANGLE OF 60DEGREES. DUE TO ITS
NATURE, IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THIS WAS A METEOR OR A
METEORITE IN THE PROCESS OF DISINTEGRATING IN THE EARTH'S
ATMOSPHERE. L. NEG.

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