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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 Sep 60		2. LOCATION 39 mi S of San Angelo, Texas		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 1922 GMT 22/0122Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round object about size of quarter with a firey color. Had long tail and appeared as a shooting star. Flight path was in form of arc. Object disappeared instantaneously.				11. COMMENTS This object has all characteristics of a meteor of the fireball class.	

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ATIC

1960 SEP 23 00 45

DE RJWFDS 21

P 222300Z ZEX

FM 356TH PLT TNG WG WEBB AFB TEX

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJWFKF/33RD ADIR DIV RICHARDS GEBUR AFB MO

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECH INTELL CENTER WRIGHT PATT AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/ASST CHIEF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE USAFWASH DC

RJEZHQ/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES USAF WASH DC

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UNCLAS FR WAG 112J. SUBJ: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT

- A. 1. ROUND SHAPE.
2. FROM POSITION SIGHTED ABOUT SIZE OF QUARTER.
3. FIREY COLOR.
4. NOT APPLICABLE.
5. ONE OBJECT.
6. 5 TIMES AS LARGE AS A METEOR- HAD LONG TAIL AND APPEARED AS SHOOTING STAR.
7. HAD LONG AND LARGE TAIL.
8. NO SOUND.

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9. NO OTHER UNUSUAL FEATURES.

B. 1. PILOT WAS JUST OBSERVING AREA AND HAPPENED TO SIGHT OBJECT.

2. FIRST SIGHTED AT 10 DEGREES ABOVE AIRCRAFT AT ABOUT 1000 O'CLOCK TO AIRCRAFT.

3. DISAPPEARED ABOUT 5 DEGREES BELOW AIRCRAFT AT 1200 O'CLOCK TO AIRCRAFT.

4. NO VIOLENT MANEUVERS - FLIGHT PATH WAS IN FORM OF ARC.

5. OBJECT DISAPPEARED INSTANTANEOUSLY.

6. VISIBLE FOR 5 SECONDS.

C. 1. SIGHTED AIR-VISUAL.

2. NO OPTICAL AIDS.

3. F-102A - 561382 - 30,000 FT - HEADING 250 DEGREES - 430 TAS - WEBB AFB HOME STATION.

D. 1. SIGHTED 0122Z, 22 SEPT 60.

2. DUST CONDITIONS AT ALTITUDE.

E. SIGHTED ³⁰JEP MILES SOUTH SAN ANGELO.

F. 1. NOT APPLICABLE.

2. SMATHERS, P. W., CAPT, 331 FIS, FLIGHT COMMANDER, VERY RELIABLE.

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G. 1. CLEAR 50 MILES.

2. 6000' - 190/10

10,000. - 280/10

16,000' - 320/20

20,000. - 320/30

30,000' - 290/50

50,000' - 290/ 50

80,000' - NOT AVIALABLE

3. NO CEILING - 1-0

4. 15 MILES PLUS .

5. 1/10TH CLOUD COVER.

6. NO THUNDERSOTRMS.

H. NO OTHER UNUSUAL CONDITION.

I. NO ACTION TAKEN.

J. NO OTHER REPORTED AIRCRAFT.

K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 331 FIS, 1/LT - FROM INTERVIEW-

OBSERVOR FEELS THIS WAS A VERY LARGE METEOR OR POSSIBLE SATALLITE
THAT BURNED WHEN IT ENTERED ATMOSPHERE - AT A DISTANCE OF
ABOUT 75 MILES FROM AIRCRAFT.

L. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.

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