

MILITARY GROUND

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 Oct 60		2. LOCATION Okinawa		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 1915 GMT 25/1015Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-7 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE circular flightpath	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, size equivalent to Mars, orange in color. Appeared 45° angle from observer's viewpoint; azimuth: to SE moving E-W when first sighted. Going from NW to SE when last sighted. Flight path: circular, object when first detected appeared to be 50NM E of Okinawa and continued in a circular (roughly) around the observers. Did not fluctuate in path of orbit and disappeared gradually to SE.				11. COMMENTS There is no evidence in this report which would indicate that the object viewed by witnesses was not an a/c.	

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RJEZHQ/HQ USAF AFCIN WASH 25 DC

RJEZHQ/SECRETARY AF SAFIS WASH 25 D C

INFO RJNPKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HI

RJAPAA/5AF FUCHU AIR STN JAPAN

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U N C L A S E F T O 3130C-I U-10-168. UFO FOR AFCIN AND
SAFIS USAF ALL OTHER ADDRESSEES FOR INTELLIGENCE. REFERENCE
PAR. 15, AFR 200-2, DATED 14 SEP 59. DATA IS SUBMITTED AS
FOLLOWS: ITEM ALPHA: DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: (1) SHAPE:
ROUND (2) SIZE: EQUIVALENT TO MARS (3) COLOR: ORANGE (4)
NUMBER: ONE (5) N/A (6) FEATURES: NONE, NO FORMED SUBSTANCE
OR APPEARANCE OF SOLIDITY (7) TRAIL: NONE, APPEARED TO OBSERVERS
TO FOLLOW TRACKING PATTERN OF ECHO ONE OR SPUTNIK, AND LOOKED
SIMILAR TO THESE SATELLITES. (8) NO SOUND (9) NONE, ITEM
BRAVO: DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT: (1) SUDDEN AND WAS

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POINTED OUT TO OBSERVERS BY TWO UNIDENTIFIED MARINE OFFICERS
(2) ANGLE: 45 DEGREES FROM OBSERVERS VIEWPOINT. AZIMUTH:
TO SE MOVING EAST TO WEST WHEN FIRST SIGHTED. (3) GOING
FROM NW TO SE WHEN LAST SIGHTED. (4) FLIGHT PATH: CIRCULAR,
OBJECT WHEN FIRST DETECTED APPEARED TO BE 50NM EAST OF
OKINAWA AND CONTINUED IN A CIRCULAR (ROUGHLY) AROUND THE
OBSERVERS. DID NOT FLUCTUATE IN PATH OF ORBIT AND DIS-
APPEARED GRADUALLY TO SE. (5) GRADUALLY (6) DURATION OF
SIGHTING: APPROXIMATELY FIVE TO SEVEN MINUTES. ITEM COCOA:
MANNER OF OBSERVATION (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) NONE (3) N/A
ITEM DELTA: TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING (1) 1015Z
25 OCTOBER 1963 (2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT. ITEM ECHO:
LOCATION OF OBSERVERS. MARINE CAMP, CAMP HAGUE, NORTH
OF KADENA AFB THREE MILES, APPROXIMATELY 100 YARDS NORTH
OF OFFICER'S CLUB, IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF FEMALE SERVANTS
QUARTERS. ITEM FOXTROT: IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON
OBSERVERS: (1) N/A (2) MAJOR CHARLES R. BURROUGHS USMC
045206, ORGANIZATION, HQ BTRY-12TH MARINES, 3RD MARDIV. DUTY:
ASST. COORDINATOR FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATING CENTER. ESTIMATE
OF RELIABILITY: UNKNOWN, HOWEVER SUBJECT OFFICER APPEARED TO

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BE VERY SINCERE AND ANXIOUS TO PROVIDE ACCURATE DATA IN A
CONCISE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE MANNER, WAS DEFINITE THAT UFO WAS
NOT A WEATHER BALLOON. (OTHER TWO OFFICERS WERE CERTAIN OF
THIS FACTOR TOO AS THEY UTILIZE THESE ITEMS IN THE PERFORMANCE
OF THEIR DUTY) MAJOR OTTO I. SVENSON JR. USMC, 251271, HQ. BTRY
12TH MAR, 3RD MARDIV, DUTY: ASST. COORDINATOR FIRE SUPPORT
COORDINATION CENTER. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: SAME AS FIRST
OFFICER. MAJOR HOWARD A. WESTPHALL USMC, 247151, 2ND BN, 12TH
MAR, 3RD MARDIV, DUTY: EXECUTIVE OFFICER BN. ESTIMWUE OF
RELIABILITY: SAME AS FIRST TWO OFFICERS. ITEM GOLF: WEATHER
CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING: (1) OBSERVER'S REPORTED
VISITILITY UNLIMITED, NO CLOUD DECK, NO HAZE. (2) REPORT
FROM A/1C WASHINGTON, WINDS FROM NNE AT 12 KNOTS GUSTING TO
20 KNOTS. WINDS 30 KNOTS AT 20,000 FEET AND 50 KNOTS AT
30,000 FEET. CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED. TEMP. 70 DEG,
AT FIELD ELEVATION. (6) NO THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA
ITEM HOTEL AND INDIA: N/A ITEM JULIET: POSSIBILITY OF BALLOON
SIGHTING WAS OBVIATED BY TIME OF REPORT AND ACTUAL RELEASE
OF WEATHER BALLOON. BALLOON RELEASED AT 1050Z, SIGHTING MADE
AT 1015Z. CHECK WITH 18TH FTR TAC WING WOC AND ADCC AT NAHA

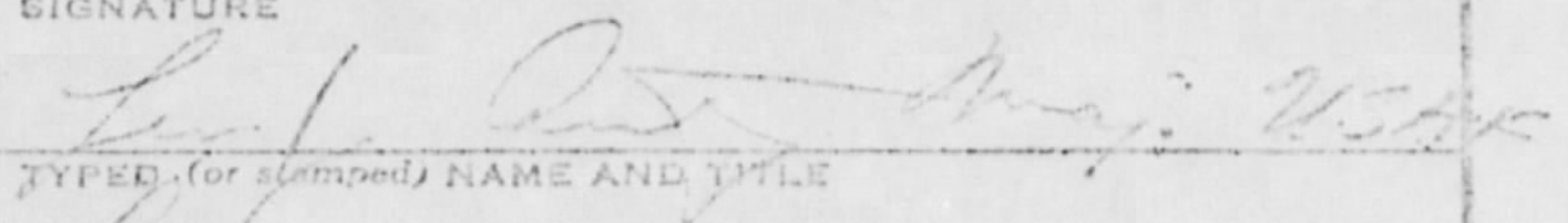
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RESULTED IN NEGATIVE REPORT ON AIRCRAFT IN GENERAL VICINITY
AT TIME OF SIGHTING. ITEM KILO: OFFICER IPEPARING REPORT:
CAPTAIN JOHNNY W. SHANKS, AO 590455, CHIEF OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
313TH AIR DIVISION, APO 239. POSSIBLE EXPLANATION: BECAUSE
OF DEFINITE OPINION OF OBSERVERS THAT THIS WAS NOT A BALLOON
AT THE TIME DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RELEASE AND SIGHTING, THERE
IS NO EVALUATED ANALYSIS OF THIS SIGHTING. HOWEVER, THESE
OFFICERS DID REPORT THIS IMMEDIATELY TO ADCC, NAHA AND
APPEARED TO BE MATURE, INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUALS, (ESPECIALLY
IN THEIR PRESENTATION OF THEIR OBSERVATIONS. AT NO TIME DID
THEY HESITATE IN THEIR DESCRIPTION OF THE UFO AND WERE
POSITIVE OF ALL THE INFORMATION THAT THEY GAVE. SINCE ALL
THREE OFFICERS HAVE WITNESSED THE FLIGHT PATH OF SATELLITES
IT IS OFFERED THAT PERHAPS THIS UFO COULD HAVE BEEN THE PATH
OF A MISSILE, WHOSE FIRING DATA IS NOT AVAILABLE TO THIS
OFFICE. THE OBSERVERS STATED THAT THE SPEED OF THIS UFO COULD
HAVE BEEN IN THE SUPERSONIC RANGE BUT OWING TO DARKNESS AND
LACK OF HORIZON-REFERENCE, THEY COULD NOT DEFINITELY ESTIMATE
THE SPEED.

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED			
SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR COMMUNICATION CENTER							
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PRECEDENCE		TYPE MSG (Check)			ACCOUNTING SYMBOL	ORIG. OR REFERS TO	CLASSIFICATION OF REFERENCE
ACTION ROUTINE		BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	AF	31300-I U-10-168	UNCLAS
FROM: ATIC W-P AFB						SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	
TO: KADENA AB, OKINAWA RTAOKA							
UNCLAS FROM: AFCIN-4E2x <u>10-3175-E</u> HQ 313TH ADIV. YOUR MSG 31300-I U-10-168, DTD 25 OCT 60, REF ITEM B(2) OF YOUR MSG, THE AZIMUTH OF THE OBJ WHEN FIRST SEEN IS RPTD TO BE TO THE SOUTHEAST. IN ITEM B(4) THE OBJ IS RPTD TO HAVE BEEN FIRST SEEN TO THE EAST MOVING IN A CIRCULAR PATH. REQ CLARIFICATION OF THE ABOVE TWO ITEMS. WHAT WAS THE ELEVATION OF THE OBJ WHEN IT DISAPPEARED? REQ MORE DETAILED WEATHER DATA AS REQUESTED IN AFR 200-2, DTD 14 SEP 59.							
				DATE 28		TIME 1402	
				MONTH OCT		YEAR 1960	
SYMBOL AFCIN-4E2x TYPED NAME (AND TITLE, if required) Major Robert J. Friend <i>RJF</i> PHONE 69216 SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLASSIFIED				SIGNATURE  TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE PHILIP G. EVANS Colonel, USAF Deputy for Science and Components			

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U N C L A S E F T O 3130C-I U-11-29. FOR AFCIN-4E2X.

THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS. PART I. REFERENCE YOUR 11-3175-E.

IN CLARIFICATION OF OUR REPORT ON 25 OCT, THE FOLLOWING IS
SUBMITTED: REFERENCE GOLF TWO, SURFACE WINDS 12 KNOTS NNE
GUSTS TO 20. 6000 FEET, 20 DEGREES, 18 KNOTS. 10,000 FEET,
360 DEGREES, 12 KNOTS. 16,000 FEET, 330 DEGREES, 14 KNOTS.
20,000 FEET, 310 DEGREES, 22 KNOTS. 30,000 FEET, 280 DEGREES,
25 KNOTS. 50,000 FEET, 240 DEGREES, 41 KNOTS. 80,000 FEET,
170 DEGREES, 10 KNOTS. ITEM GOLF THREE, CEILING CLEAR. GOLF
FOUR, 10 MILES VISIBILITY, SURFACE PRESSURE 1011.4 MILLIBARS.

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GOLF FIVE, CLOUD COVER, SCATTERED CUMULUS W TO NE ON HORIZON.
GOLF SIX, NONE. GOLF SEVEN, TEMPERATURE GRADIENT, 73 DEGREES
FAHRENHEIT AT SURFACE, DEW POINT 63 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT. WO3 EVANS,
FORECASTER FOR THE 10TH WEATHER GP, DET 7, KADENA AB, PROVIDED
THIS INFORMATION THIS DATE. PART II. REFERENCE ITEMS BRAVO TWO
AND BRAVO FOUR, THIS INFORMATION WAS RECONFIRMED WITH ONE OF THE
OBSERVERS, MAJOR BURROUGHS, THIS DATE, WHO REITERATED THAT THE
INFORMATION HE GAVE WAS CORRECT AS STATED AND THAT ELEVATION OF
OBJECT WHEN LAST SEEN COULD NOT BE DETERMINED BECAUSE OF ITS GRADUAL
DISAPPEARANCE. WOULD THE DIAGRAM OF THE PATH OF THE UFO DRAWN THE
NIGHT OF THE SIGHTING BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE IN ANALYSIS OF THIS
INFORMATION?

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