

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 19 Jan 61	2. LOCATION 4239N 4212W (W. of Azores)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Prob satellite</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 0905Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-10 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 195Kts at 6,000 heading 123° sighted object on heading of 083° true in sight 5-10 min. Object magnitude less than Mars disappeared over horizon object 45° alt at sighting.			11. COMMENTS Straight flight path and duration along with easterly movement indicate probable satellite.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

INCOMING

AF IN : 51145 (19 Jan 61) V/hgh
ACTION: CIN-14
INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (21)

SMD A 169

MCZCHQD117ZCCJA255

OO RJEZHQ

DE RJFYBO 206

O 191902Z

FM TCC LAJES AZORES

TO RJWFALB/CINCNO RAD ENT AFB COLO

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF WASH D C

RBEKHC/CINCLANT FLEET NORFOLK VA

RJEZFW/ECP TCC MCGUIRE NJ

AF GRNC

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UNCLAS/LATCC 19-A-105.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH AFR 55-88, THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED.

NAME OF PERSON MAKING REPORT, RENICKY, DONALD D. LT, USN, 19

JAN 61, 1630Z; ACFT NO, NAVY 141307; DATE AND ETD LAJES 211015Z;

DESTINATION, ARGENTIA; LATITUDE, 42-39N; LONGITUDE, 42-12W;

SPEED IN KNOTS, 195 TRUE; ALTITUDE, 6000; TRUE HEADING, 123; DATE-

TIME "Z", 19/0905Z; VISIBILITY AND CLOUD CONDITION, UNLTD/BKN CUJF

/ON TOP; DIRECTION, (WINGS), 180; FORCE, 25; SIGHTED WHAT APPEARED

TO BE A STAR IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE PLANET MARS OPENING RAPIDLY AND

ON COURSE OF APPROX. 083 TRUE. OBJECT WAS OF A MAGNITUDE SOMEWHAT

LESS THAN THAT OF THE PLANET MARS. WAS HELD VISUALLY FOR APPROX

5 TO 10 MINUTES DISSAPPEARING OVER THE HORIZON. APPROXIMATE

ALTITUDE OF OBJECT AT SIGHTING-45 DEGREES.

BT NOTE: ADVANCE COPY DELIVERED TO CIN.

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