

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 Feb 61		2. LOCATION a 3135N 12720W W of Guadalupe Island		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 <u>2344</u> GMT <u>130744Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright white, round, star shaped objt size of BB pellet at arms length appearing as satellite on 090° heading observed from 5° above horizon passing left to right in front of a/c observed for 90° arc in 6 min, disappearing 35° above horizon. Nor picked up on radar.			11. COMMENTS Characteristics of satellite, whitish color, in sight 6 min. Constant speed and direction to NE aprox 040°. Request for satellite info not received; however in absence of contradictory info, probably satellite.		

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AF IN : 16298 (13 Feb 61) R/cwp

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : SAFS-3 OOP-2 OOP-CP-1 ARMY-30 NAVY-50 JCS-35 OSD-15 NSA-7 CIA-11 CMC-6
SMD C 026 (216)

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FM ETHAN 37/AFI2

TO RFEMVB/CANAIRDEF

RCWNC/CANFLAGPAC

RBWPPG/COMWESTSEAFRON

RJWFALB/CINCNOAD

RJWZSB/COMDR 28TH ADIV

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF

AFGRNC

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CIRVIS

SIGHTED SINGLE OBJECT OF STARLIGHT BRILLIANCE AND SIZE POSSIBLE SATTI-

LLITE FIRST SIGHTED AT 0744Z 5 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON LOST SIGHT 0751Z

55 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON RANGE AND ALT UNKNOWN POSITION OF ETHAN37

3135N 12720W HEADING 310 DEGREES ALT 90' DIRECTION OF TRAVEL OF OBJECT

90 DEGREES SPEED UNKNOWN OBJECT IN SIGHT 6 MIN APPROX NEG RADAR

PICKUP MDC ADZ NO TRFC IN AREA AT THE TIME

BT NOTE : Advance copies delivered to CIN and OOP-CP at 131308Z 13 Feb 61.

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AF IN : 17211 (14 Feb 61) F/Jlb

ACTION : CIN-14

INFO : ARMY-30, NAVY-90, CMC-6, JCS-35, OSD-15, NSA-7, CIA-11
OCP-2, CP-CP-1, SAPS-3 -215-

SMD B065

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AF GRNC

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CIRVIS REPORT SUBMITTED BY ETHAN 37 AT APPROXIMATELY 130800Z

CANCELLED. UFO REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED.

BT

14/0050Z FEB RJWZSBA

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I N C O M I N G

AF IN : 18571 (15 Feb 61)

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : SAFS-3, OOP-2, OOP-CP-1 (21)

SMD A041

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RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/COFS WASHINGTON DC

RJEZHQ/OSAF WASHINTON DC

BT

/UNCLAS/520IN 0272.

FOR COFS PASS TO AFCIN, FOR OSAF PASS TO SAFIS.

UFO REPORT. THE FOLLOWING UFO REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN THE FORMAT

PRESCRIBED BY AFR 200-2.

A. (1) ROUNDISH - STAR SHAPED

(2) BB PELLET

(3) BRIGHT WHITE

(4) ONE

(5) (6) (7) (8) N/A

(9) APPEARED TO BE A SATELLITE

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- B. (1) OBJECT FIRST APPEARED TO BE AN AIRCRAFT BANKING - THEN
REALIZED THAT THIS APPEARANCE WAS CAUSED BY ITS RAPID
MOVEMENT IN RELATION TO THE STARS.
- (2) 30 DEGREES LEFT OF NOSE OF OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT. 5 DEGREES
ABOVE THE HORIZON. TRACKING 090 DEGREES.
- (3) 15 DEGREES LEFT OF NOSE OF OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT. 35 DEGREES
ABOVE HORIZON.
- (4) STRAIGHT TRACK OF APPROXIMATELY 90 DEGREES.
- (5) IT CEASED TO EMIT LIGHT. SKY ABOVE WAS ABSOLUTELY CLEAR.
- (6) APPROXIMATELY 6 MINUTES.
- C. (1) VISUAL ONLY. AEW&C AIRCRAFT, US NAVY PICKET VESSEL, AND
COASTAL AC&W SEARCH RADARS HAD NO RADAR CONTACT.
- (2) NONE
- (3) RC-121 (AEW&C CONSTELLATION) CALL SIGN ETHAN 37 - 9000'
ALTITUDE - HOME BASE MCCLELLAN AFB CALIF.
- D. (1) 0744Z - 0751Z 13 FEB 61.
- (2) NIGHT - CLEAR
- E. 3135N X 12720W AT 0750Z
- F. (1) N/A

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(2) DUPRIEST, JOHN F - CAPT - 965 AEW&C SQDN - AIRCRAFT
COMMANDER (MATURE CONSCIENTIOUS INDIVIDUAL)

MARCHMAN, RONALD T - SSG - 965 AEW&C SQDN - AIR SURVEILLANCE
TECHNICIAN (YOUNG BUT CERTAIN OF HIS OBSERVATION)

G. (1) BROKEN TO OVERCAST CLOUD DECK - TOPS ESTIMATED AT 4000 FEET
CLEAR AND BRIGHT ABOVE - THE MOON DIDNT RISE UNTIL APPROX-
IMATELY 1300Z - TYPICAL PACIFIC HIGH PRESSURE AREA WEATHER-

(2) 350/10 215/10 300/25 310/30 310/35 300/45 300/50
MISSING

(3) BELOW OBSERVERS AIRCRAFT

(4) UNLIMITED

(5) BROKEN TO OVERCAST

(6) NONE

(7) 0504Z - 4000' - PLUS 5C, 0515Z - 6000' OC, 0600Z - 6000' PLUS
1C, 0640Z - 6000' - PLUS 2C, 0700Z - 6000' PLUS 5C, 0742Z -
6000' PLUS 5C, 0812Z - 9000' - PLUS 4C.

H. NONE

I. CHECKED WITH ALL MILITARY SEARCH RADARS IN THE AREA - NEGATIVE
RADAR CONTACT.

J. DID NOT CORRESPOND WITH ANY KNOWN AIRCRAFT TRAFFIC. NO INFORMA-T

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TION ON BALLOON RELEASES.

K. 552 AEW&C WING INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. I BELIEVE THE OBSERVERS DID PER CHANCE SEE A SATELLITE IN ORBIT. HOWEVER, THIS OFFICE DOES NOT HOLD TRAJECTORY DATA TO ALLOW TENTATIVE CONFIRMATION. BOTH OBSERVERS STATED THEY HAVE OBSERVED ECHO I ON FOUR OR FIVE OCCASIONS AND THAT THIS OBJECT HAD EVERY APPEARANCE OF A SATELLITE IN ORBIT.

L. NONE

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15/0110Z FEB RJWZSBA

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UNCLAS/520IN 0394.

FOR AFCIN-4E. YOUR MESSAGE AFCIN-4E2X 3-1101, 1 MARCH 1961.

HEADING OF WITNESS AIRCRAFT DURING TIME OF SIGHTING WAS 310
DEGREES, THREE HUNDRED AND TEN DEGREES MAGNETIC.

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