

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Jul 61	2. LOCATION Tachikawa AB, Japan		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2255 GMT 271355Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE N-NE	☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round white objt lar- ger than stars in area. Not as bright as Venus, steady white light overhead rising with changes in direction. Faded out after 15 min.		11. COMMENTS Light, not bright. Balloons known to carry small lights. Duration of sighting corresponds to time possible for balloon to rise out of sight (1000' min / Direction of drift corresponds to direction of winds aloft at time of sighting. Sighting at night. While balloon release at base not verified evidence points to probable re- lease at this time.	

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TO Colt
NO. 71230
TIME 1400
Date 27 JUL 61
By: CLP

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FM 5AFOC FUCHU AIR STATION AJAPAN

TO RJWFAL/AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB COLORADO

RJEDSQ/AIR TECHNICAL INTELL CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/HQ USAF AFCIN WASH D C

RJEZHQ/SECRETARY OF THE USAF SAFIS WASH D C

RJHPKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII

RJAPAZ/5AF FUCHU AIR STA JAPAN

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UNCLAS/5AFOC/6954/ UFO REPORT/ FORMAT-PAR 15 AFR 200-2

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

- (1) ROUND LIGHT-
- (2) HEAD OF A PIN- SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN STARS
IN AREA.
- (3) WHITE- NOT AS BRIGHT AS VENUS
- (4) ONE
- (5) N/A
- (6) NONE
- (7) NONE

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(4) ONE

(5) N/A

(6) NONE

(7) NONE

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(8) NONE

(9) STEADY WHITE LIGHT-DIDN'T VARY INTENSITY

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

(1) THREE MEN LOOKING UP AND ONE OF THEM

NOTICED A LIGHT THAT MOVED.

(2) DIRECTLY OVERHEAD.

(3) 45 DEGREE ANGLE, 315 DEGREES.

(4) STILL AT FIRST SIGHTING- MOVED SLOWLY NORTH- STOPPED

MADE TURN TO RIGHT, EAST HEADING-STOPPED-

MOVED NORTH SLOWLY- STOPPED- MADE TURN TO RIGHT-

TURNED NORTH AND SPEED INCREASED- STARTED A

ZIG ZAG MOVEMENT AT FAST SPEED AND KEPT

THIS UP UNTIL DISAPPEARANCE IN N/E DIRECTION.

(5) GRADUALLY FADED OUT

(6) FIFTEEN MINUTES

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

(1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D.

(1) 1355Z TO 1410Z 27 JULY 61.

(3) N/A

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(2) NIGHT- FULL MOON.

E. 35 42N, 139 24 E EAST SIDE OF

RUNWAY CENTER TACHIKAWA AB, APO 323.

F.

(1) N/A

(2) SMITH, C.N. A/1C AF 13500592 6100 CAMRON

BINGHAM, D.L. SSGT AF 14548298 6100 CAMRON

HONEA, T.O. A/1C AF 14498489 6100 CAMRON

ALL OBSERVERS ARE A&E MECHANICS

AND FAMILIAR WITH AIRCRAFT IN FLIGHT,

RELIABILITY ESTIMATED TO BE GOOD.

G. (1) CLEAR, NO CLOUD COVER, FULL MOON, VISIBILITY

UNRESTRICTED STRAIGHT UP.

(2) WINDS.

SURFACE- NORTH 3 KNOTS

6 M-140/5

10 M-140/5

16 M-230/10

20 M-230/05

30 M-160/10

2 DEGREES PER 1 M

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50 M-090/25

150 TO 2 M

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50 M-090/25

ISO TO 2 M

80 M-

FROM 2 M TO 40 M 20 DEGREES

(3) NO CEILING

(4) 5 MILES OR BETTER

(5) NONE IN OBSERVATION AREA.

(6) NONE

(7) ISOTHERMAL TO 2 M, FROM 2 M TO 40 M, 2 DEGREES
PER THOUSAND FEET.

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. NONE. NO REPORTED RADAR OR RAPCON PLOTS.

K. CAPT. THOMPSON N. A. 45791A, 5AF TO

DUTY OFFICER RECEIVED REPORT FROM OBSERVERS
OVER TELEPHONE FIRST HAND. NO CONCLUSIONS
DRAWN AS TO NATURE OF SIGHTED OBJECT.

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27/1745Z JUL RJAPAAK

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DE RJWZNL 12

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M 012230Z

FM COMDR 3635TH FLYTNGWG STEAD AFB

TO FTD WPAFB OHIO

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UNCLAS O 15 F

FOR TD-E. REFERENCE MESSAGE TD-E-31-7-602. ELEVATION 10,000 FT.

AZIMUTH 270 DEGREES. WITNESSES WERE OUTSIDE OF CAR.

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02/0130Z AUG RJWZNL

2 AUG 61 13 40z

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