

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 Jul 61		2. LOCATION Misawa AFB, Japan		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2216 GMT 28/1316Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION XXXX Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical <i>METEOR</i> ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XXXX No		6. SOURCE Military		☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE E	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1 white objt appearing as point of light equivalent to 2nd mag star, observed 70° above horizon at 260 az. In view 1 min disappearing behind obstructions at 20° elev at 080az. Straight flight w/no maneuvers.				11. COMMENTS Objt of sighting was probably a slow meteor. Absence of a trail can probably be attributed to relatively low velocity of meteor and fact that due to a full moon this was a bright night. It is probable that meteor was in sight for such a long period of time was due to some overestimation on part of witness.	

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D E S C R I P T I O N O F T H E O B J E C T (A L P H A) P D S H A P E C L N P O I N T O F L I G H T (B R A V O) P D

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C O U R S E O F O B J E C T (A L P H A) P D W H A T F I R S T C A L L E D A T T E N T I O N O F O B S E R V E R T O

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D E G R E E S (D E L T A) P D D E S C R I P T I O N O F F L I G H T P A T H A N D M A N E U V E R S O F O B J E C T C L N

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OBJECT CLN (BRAVO) PD ANGLE OR ELEVATION OF OBJECT WHEN FIRST OBSERVED CLN
 SEVEN ZERO DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON TO WEST CMM AZIMUTH TWO SIX ZERO
 DEGREES (CHARLIE) PD ANGLE OR ELEVATION AND AZIMUTH OF OBJECT WHEN LAST
 OBSERVED CLN TWO ZERO DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON CMM AZIMUTH ZERO EIGHT ZERO
 DEGREES (DELTA) PD DESCRIPTION OF FLIGHT PATH AND MANEUVERS OF OBJECT CLN
 FOLLGHED SLHAIGHT LINE (ECHO) PD DISAPPEARANCE OF OBJECT CLN LOST BEHIND
 OBSTRUCTIONS (FOXTROT) PD TIME VISIBLE CLN ONE MINUTES X THREE PD MANNER OF
 OBSERVATION CLN (ALPHA) PD GROUND VISUAL (BRAVO) PD OPTICAL AIDS CLN NONE
 (CHARLIE) PD NOVEMBER SLASH ALPHA X FOUR PD TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING
 (ALPHA) PD ONE THREE ONE SIX SLASH TWO EIGHT JULY ONE NINE SIX ONE PRN
 ZULU PRN (BRAVO) PD LIGHT CONDITIONS CLN NIGHT X FIVE LOCATIONS OF
 OBSERVERS CLN APPRX FOUR ZERO FOUR ZERO NOVEMBER ONE FOUR ONE TWO FIVE
 ECHO CMM MISAWA AIR BASE CMM JAPAN X SIX PD IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON
 OBSERVERS CLN OSBORN CMM ARTHUR LL MAJOR CMM FOUR FIVE TRS RPT TRS
 CMM COMDR CMM DELIA CMM RALPH CC CAPT CMORFOUR FIVE TRS RPT TRS CXH
 PILOT WADDLE CMM DANNIE TT JR FOUR FIVE TRS RPT TRS CMM PILOT CMM
 PRN CAPT PRN HUMPHREY CMM JOHN RR FOUR FIVE TRS RPT TRS PILOT PRN
 CAPT PRN LEE CMM HOMER RR CAPT CMM FOUR FIVE TRS CPT GS CMM PILOT
 MCVAY CMM JULIAN CC ONE LT RPT LT CMM FOUR FIVE TRS RPT TRS CMM PILOT
 OSCAR APOS GRADY CMM ROBERT JJ CAPT CMM FOUR FIS RPT FIS CMM

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MAINTENANCE OFFICER PIERSON CMM LYLE CC CAPT CMM FOUR FIS RPT FIS CMM
 PILOT THE ABOVE ARE RELIABLE SURCES OF INFORMATION PD X SEVEN PD
 WEATHER AND WINDS CLN (ALPHA) PD HIGH BROKEN CLOUDS ONE ZERO MILES
 VISIBILITY (BRAVO) PD WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY AT CLN SURFACE CLN TWO
 THREE ZERO DEGREES AT SIX KTS RPT KTS SIX CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET CLN
 TWO SEVEN ZERO DEGREES AT TWO FIVE KTS RPT KTS ONE ZERO CMM ZERO ZERO
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 CLN THREE ZERO ZERO DEGREES AT ONE KTS RPT KTS (CHARLIE) PD CEILING CLN
 EIGHT CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET CMM BROKEN CMM ONE FIVE CMM ZERO ZERO

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 ZERO FEET CMM BROKEN (DELTA) PD VISIBILITY CLN FIVE MILES (ECHO) PD AMOUNT
 OF CLOUD COVER CLN ZERO POINT FIVE TO ZERO POINT SIX (FOXTROT)
 PD THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA CLN NONE (GOLF) PD TEMPERATURE GRADIENT CLN
 PRN DEGREES CENTIGRADE PRN SURFACE CLN TWO FIVE DEGREES SIX CMM ZERO
 ZERO ZERO FEET CLN ONE SEVEN DEGREES ONE ZERO CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET
 CLN NINE DEGREE ONE SIX CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET CLN MINUS ONE DEGREE
 TWO ZERO CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET CLN MINUS NINE DEGREE THREE ZERO CMM

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ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET CLN MINUS TWO EIGHT DEGREES FIVE ZERO CMM ZERO ZERO
 ZERO FEET CLN MINUS DASH PERCENT DEGREES X EIGHT PD NONE X NINE PD
 NONE X ONE ZERO PD WEATHER BALLOON RELEASED MISAWA AIR BASE CMM
 BETWEEN ONE TWO RMREE ZERO ZULU AND ONE TWO FOUR FIVE ZULU CMM TWO EIGHT
 JULY ONE NINE SIX ONE PD ALTITUDE ZERO TO FIVE FIVE CMM ZERO ZERO ZERO
 FEET CMM HEADING APPRX ZERO NINE ZERO DEGREES PD X ONE ONE PD
 COMMENTS CLN IN VIEW OF RECENT MOVEMENT OF SOVIET SIBER CLASS
 RANGE INSTRUMENTATION SHIPS AND NATURE OF THIS SIGHTING CMM THIS
 REPORT WAS DEEMED NECESSARY PD SPEED AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS
 OF THIS SIGHTING TEND TO DISCOUNT WEATHER BALLOON RELEASED FROM
 MISAWA AIR BASE SLIGHTLY EARLIER IN EVENING CMM HOWEVER THIS MUST REMAIN
 ALPHA POSSIBLE CAUSE OF THE SIGHTING PD POSITION SLASH TITLE OF
 INTELLIGENCE OFFICER CLN ONE LT RPT LT SAMUEL HH CLARKE JR PD
 INTELLIGENCE OFFICER THREE NINT AIR DIVISION PD X ONE TWO PD PHYSICAL
 EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING CLN NONE THIS MESSAGE CLASSIFIED SECRET BECAUSE
 IT REVEALS INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATIVE METHODS AND PROCEDURES PD
 SCP RPT SCP DASH FOUR PD

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