

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>14 Sep 61                                                                                                                                                                |  | 2. LOCATION<br>3630N 13945E (FAR EAST)                                                                                                                                                                |  | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <i>METEOR</i><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |  |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 2200<br>GMT 141300Z                                                                                                                                     |  | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                 |  | 6. SOURCE<br>Military                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>2-3 sec                                                                                                                                                 |  | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>1                                                                                                                                                                             |  | 9. COURSE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Explosion. Bright light viewed for 2-3 sec. Explosion lasted 1/2 sec. 1st observed as ball of light w/extremely short tail. Looked like ball of fire. |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | 11. COMMENTS 2 pilots saw what appeared to be an <del>explosion</del> explosion which was viewed less than 1 sec. 1 pilot reported objt had a short tail. Both reported objt had very little, if any, movement. Elevation of objt was too high to have been an atomic explosion above arctic, plus, direction of observation tends to rule this out. Most logical explanation would be a large meteor exploding in earths atmosphere. Therefore, this report is categorized as probably bolide.                                                                                                                       |  |

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AF IN : 57843 (15 SEP 61) **INCOMING**

F/SEC

ACTION: CIN-17

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, **SAFS-3** (24)

SMB A 108

ZCHQB863ZCQJE138

PP RJEZHQ

DE RJAPDR 24A

P 150115Z

FM 40FTRINTCP SQ YOKOTA AB JAPAN

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PAT AFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/HQ USAF WASHDC

RJEZHQ/SEC OF AIR FORCE WASHDC

INFO RJHPKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII

RJAPAZ/5AF FUCHU AS JAPAN

RJAPAU/41DIV JOHNSON AS JAPAN

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U N C L A S E F T O 0024. UFO REPORT

ACTION: ADC, ATIC, AFCIN, SAFIS. INFO: PFICO-C, 5AF,

410C-1. THIS MSG IN 2 PARTS. PART I: A DESCRIPTION

OF THE OBJECT: 1. BALL SHAPED 2. SIZE OF A SILVER

DOLLAR 3. BRIGHT WHITE 4. ONS5. N/A 6. BRIGHT

BLINDING LIGHT, LITE UP THE ENTIRE COCKPIT. 7. NONE

8. NONE 9. NO VIBRATION OR TURBULENCE FELT. B.

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE. 1. BLINGING LIGHT 2. 30 DEGREES

IN ELEVATION FROM NOSE OF A/C. 3. SAME 4. STRAIGHT

DOWN IF AT ALL. 5. INSTANTANEOUSLY, BLEW UP.

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N/A 6. EXTREMELY BRIGHT, LOOKED LIKE AN EXPLOSION.

7. VERY SHORT TAIL 8. NONE .8 NO VIBRATION FELT

IN THE A/C. B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

1. BLINDING Z

ITE LIGHT 2. 120 DEGREES FROM NOSE  
OF A/C,:260 DEGREES ELEVATION FROM A/C.

3. APPROX SAME 4. IF MOVING AT ALL, FROM WEST TO EAST

5. BLEW UP 6. ONE TENTH OF A SECOND C. MANNER OF

OBSERVATION: 1. AIR VISUAL 2. NONE 3. F102ABN

553412, 35,000', 360 DEGREES, MACH .85, YOKOTA AB

D. SAME AS PART ONE E. SAME AS PART ONE F.

SOREN A. POZ-IELSN, 1ST LT USAF, 40TH FIS, INTCP

PILOT, USUALLY RELIABLE. G. SAME AS PART I H. - K.

SAME XAS PART ONE. L. NONE

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6. ONE HALF SECOND C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION GQM  
AIR VISUAL 2. NONE 3. F102A, 560965, 30,000.15,  
060 DEGREES, YOKOTA AB, JAPAN D. TIME AND DATE OF  
SIGHTING 1. 1300Z, 14 SEP 1961 2. NIGHT, CLEAR.

E. ~~LOCATION OF OBSERVER~~: 6 30N, 139 45E F

DONALD C. WINDRATH, CAPTAIN, 40TH FIS, INTCP PILOT,  
USUALLY RELIABLE. G. WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT

1. CLEAR, WINDS ALOFT 30KTS FROM THE WEST 2. 20,000'  
35-50KTS, FROM 240 DEGREES, 30,000' 40-45KTS, FROM  
240 DEGREES. 3. 8,000' 4. 8NM 5. THIN SCATERED  
6. NONE 7. UNKNOWN H. NONE KNOWN I. NONE J.

NONE REPORTED K. CTELLIGENCE OFFICER, 40TH FIS,  
1ST LT RICHARD A FLAGG, JR., 61475A, OBSERVER DECLARED..

97°3:5 3/0)9\$3\$ 4-5#34 5#-, 774,3\$. THE LIGHT FROM  
OBJECT ILLUMINATED THE ENTIRE COCKPIT. THIS WOULD  
TEND TO RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A FALLING STAR.

CORROBORATION APPARS IN THIS CASE IN THAT OBSERVERJS  
WING MAN REPORTED SEEING A SOMEWHAT SIMILIAR PHENOMENA,  
SEE PART TWO. PARHII: A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

1. BALL OF FIRE 2. NICKEL 3. WHITE 4. ONE 5.