

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 Sep 61		2. LOCATION 150 MI WNW of Ukiah, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical <i>METEOR</i> ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2328 GMT 260728Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 7 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Long green-bluish streak with white edges, in sight for 3 sec. Rapid fade out. 22 times brighter than meteorite.				11. COMMENTS Sighting is characteristic of meteor observation.	

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ACTION : CIN-17

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3

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FM 552ND AEW C WG MCCLELLAN AFB CALIF

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJWZSB/28AD HAMILTON AFB CALIF

RJEDSQ/ATIC WPAFB OHIO

RJEZHQ/COFS WASH DC

RJEZHQ/OSAF WASH FC

RJEDSQ/COSMATIC WPAFB OHIO

RJEZBF/PROJECT SPACETRACK LG HANSCOM FLD MASS

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FOR COFS PASS TO AFCIN AND AFCICIB1, FOR OSAF PASS TO SAFIS, FOR
COSMATICCPASS TO AFCIN-4A. MOON DUST REPORT. THE FOLLOWING MOON DUST
REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN AFR 200-2. FORMAT.

ALFA: (1) LONG STREAK (2) NO DISTINCT OBJECT (3) BLUISH-GREEN
CENTER WITH BRIGHT WHITE EDGES (4) ONE (5) N/A (6) NONE (7) LONG
BRIGHT STREAK, SIZE UNK (8) NONE (9) NONE. BRAVO: (1) SUDDEN EX-
TREME BRIGHTNESS WHICH ILLUMINATED COCKPIT INTERIOR (2) 60 DEG ELEV,
315 DEG AZIMUTH FROM ACFT NOSE (3) 40 DEG ELEV, 315 DEG AZIMUTH
(4) STRAIGHT STEAK (5) VERY RAPID FADEOUT (6) THREE SECONDS.

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CHARLIE: (1) AIR VISUAL (2) NONE (3) RC-121D ETHAN 45, 1100 FT,
HDG 093 TRUE, 230 KTS, MCCLELLAN AFB CALIF. DELTAA: (1) 260728Z
(2) NIGHT. ECHO: 150 MIPES WNW OF UKIAH TACAN. FOXTROT: (1) NONE
(2) JOHN P CONVEY JR, CAPT, 063 AEW&C SQ, NAVIGATOR; JOHN WHALEN,
MAJ, 963 AEW&C SQ, ACFT COMDR; ROBERT BELL, CAPT, 963 AEW&C SQ,
NAVIGATOR. ALL CONSIDERED RELIABLE WITH NO ULTERIOR MOTIVE.
GOLF: (1) CLEAR WITH BRIGHT MOONLIGHT (2) 6000 FT: 040/10, 10000 FT:
360/15, 16000 FT: 350/18, 20000 FT: 340/20, 3000 FT: 330/25,
50000 FT: 300/30 (3) UNLIMITED (4) 15 PLUS (5) NONF (6) NONE
(7) NONE. HOTEL: NONE, 25TH AD DUTY OFFICER REPORTS NO ACTIVITY
IN W-242 DURING TIME OF SIGHTING. INDIA: NONE. JULIET: NONE
KNOWN. KILO: 2LT RICHARD A KAHANE, INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. OBSERVER
CLAIMSSIGHTING WAS 20 TIMES BRIGHTER THAN METEORITE. POSSIBLE
RE-ENTRY OF ESV. LIMA: NONE

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