

MILITARY

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5 Jan 62		2. LOCATION 33-21N 171-42W		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Satellite</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>06/0512Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual Sextant ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE N	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object sighted at 39° elev, 190° azimuth, disappearing at 43° elev, 350° azimuth after 4 min observation. Observed thru sextant. Object was round and size of Venus. No known a/c in area.				11. COMMENTS Echo at 33°N, 70°W at 06/0457Z. At 0512Z Echo would have been above 47.5°N and at a longitude of approx 20°. Echo ruled out. However the object was probably one of the other satellites visible thru a sextant. Orbital flight and duration are consistent with this conclusion. 1961 Epsilon 1, Zeta 1, and Lambda 1&2 have inclinations greater than 80° and perigees below 300 miles. They would appear to be heading N.	

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AF IN : 54992 (6 Jan 62)B/scc

AF DIST
CIN-14
OOP-2
OOP-CP-1
SAFS-3
DIA-2
(22)

P 263724Z
FM USS DURANT

TO HICKAM AFB HAWAII
CNO
CINCPACFLT

INFO COMDESFLOT FIVE
COMCORTON FIVE

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1. ONE ROUND OBJECT. COLOR, SIZE AND MAGNITUDE THAT OF VENUS. NO OTHER DISCERNABLE OR UNUSUAL FEATURES.
2. SIGHTED WHILE SHOOTING EVENING STARS. INITIAL SIGHTING BRG 190 ELEV 39. CUS APPROX 000. LOST IN CLOUDS AND THEN SIGHTED 2 MIN LATEJ BRG 350 ELEV 42-47.6. OBSERVED FOR 4 MIN.
3. OBSERVED WITH NAKED EYE AND SEXTANT
4. SIGHTED AT 060512Z.
5. POSIT 33-21.4N, 171-42.1W.
6. HENRY, R. L., LTJG, NAVY, OOD, HIGHLY RELIABLE. BAKER, R. J., LTJG, NAVY, NAVIGATOR HIGHLY RELIABLE. ANDERSON, F.E., QM1, NAVY, ASST. NAVIGATOR., HIGHLY RELIABLE.
7. HEAVY SEAS, WINDS FM 310 AT 36 KTS, RESULTING FROM PASSING STORM. WEATHER IN GENERAL, CLEAR WITH INTERMITTENT SHOWERS. CLOUD COVERAGE SIX-TENTH, CEILING 1600 FEET, VISIBILITY 1 MILES.
8. NO UNUSUAL METEOROLOGICAL OR ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY NOTED. NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN NO AIRCRAFT IN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING. NO ATTEMPT AT ANALYSIS MADE. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE EXISTANT

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