

USN MATS

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 Jan 62		2. LOCATION 13-42N 144-20E (Pacific)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 28/1850Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION few sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Large bright explosion of small object observed for a few sec. Observed from a MATS plane about 30 mi in front of the a/c on a course NE-SW. Object without tail. Observers at 8000 ft. Object appeared to be about 7000.				11. COMMENTS Sighting has characteristics of a meteor observation.	

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AF IN : 19311 (28 Jan 62) M/pbb

TO 281948Z.

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AF DIST: CIN-14, OOP-2
OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3
(21)

TO RJMALB/ 13AF

INFO RBEPW/CNO
RBHPB/C INCPACFLT

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1. PILOT OF MATS 20996 PATE SIGHTED OBJECT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
2. LARGE BRIGHT EXPLOSION OF SMALL OBJECT. OBSERVED FOR FEW SECONDS PRIOR TO EXPLOSION ON NE-SW COURSE APPROX 30 MI IN FRONT OF A/C. OBJECT WITHOUT TAIL.
3. SIGHTED FROM AIRCRAFT AT 8000 FT, TIME 281850Z, POSIT 13-42N 144-20E. OBJECT APPEARED TO BE AT 7000 FT ALT. JUST ABOVE LOW CLOUD LAYER.
4. PLANE ETA CLARK 290125Z.

NOTE: Adv cpy del to CIN 1815L.

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U F O ANALYSIS SHEET

DATE 28 January, 1962 LOCATION 13-42N 144-30E

DATE TIME GROUP LOCAL _____ GMT 28/1850Z

PHOTO YES _____ NO XX PHYSICAL SPECIMEN YES _____ NO XX

SOURCE MILITARY XX CIVILIAN _____ TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air Visual

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Few Seconds NUMBER OF OBJECTS One COURSE SW

SATELLITE: IN ORBIT: VERIFY YES: _____ NO: _____ DECAY: N/A

ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA _____

METEOR Probably

STAR OR PLANET _____

OTHER _____

AIRCRAFT N/A

BALLOON N/A

INSUFFICIENT DATA N/A

OTHER N/A

REFLECTION _____ INVERSION PRESENT _____ PHOTO ANALYSIS _____

SUN DOG _____ LENTICULAR CLOUD _____ PHYSICAL SPECIMEN ANALYSIS _____

BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING:

Large bright reflection of ball light observed for a few seconds observed from
 plane about 8,000 ft. in front of observer on a course NE-SW. Object without tail.
 Observers at 8,000 ft. Object appeared to be about 7,000.

EVALUATION: CASE CATEGORY: Astro (Meteor)

CONCLUSION: Sighting has the characteristics of a meteor observation.