

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2020 EST GMT 19/0120Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1. Object - seconds 2. Smoke - several minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE Entering Atmosphere		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object appearing like a plane that was white hot approached from North burning out in a few seconds. Object turned into a white cloud of smoke which persisted for several minutes after the burning and fire had disappeared. Speed compared to ECHO. Believed to be a great distance away. After burning a smoke curl traveled beyond and up as though a piece had broke off of the main body. Estimated to have occurred over Alabama or Mississippi. See Case of 24 July 1963, same witness.			11. COMMENTS Description of meteor that has burned and left a smoke cloud visible.		

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Request for UFO Information (██████████)

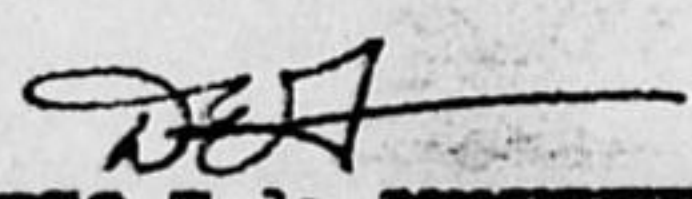
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FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

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postmarked 27 Jul 63

1st Ind (PGFB)

12 Nov 1963

Hq AFSC, Eglin AFB, Fla

TO: FTD (TDEW)

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FOR THE COMMANDER

WALLACE R. SMITH
Major, USAF
Asst Deputy for Foreign Technology

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SADDLE BUNCH SHORES
KEY WEST, FLA.
JULY 18 . 1963

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THANK YOU
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**SADDLE BUNCH SHORES
KEY WEST, FLA.
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WASHINGTON 25, D.C.**

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7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION seconds, with smoke mins.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE South	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object identical to one previously observed to explode with persistence of smoke remaining for several minutes. Extinguished or blew-up at same altitude. Merely extinguished and no flash noted. See case of 18 July 1963 same witness.				11. COMMENTS Initial observation considered to be a meteor, however observations now indicate rising. Direction of sight toward Eglin AFB. Possible munitions testing from this area. Insufficient Data for Evaluation. (Although a single burst is not the usual case) No a/c on test missions from Eglin. Single burst does not indicate Naval operations or testing. Most probable cause remains a meteor observation.	

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KEY WEST, FLA.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS & SPACE ADM.
WASHINGTON, 25 D.C.

SIRS:*

REF. MY LETTER OF JULY 18th, 1963 IN THE REPORTING
OF AN OBJECT WHICH WAS SIGHTED AND THEN BLEW UP.

ON THE NIGHT OF JULY 24, 1963 ON THE EXACT COURSE
AND IN ALL RESPECTS THE SAME KIND OF OBJECT WAS SIGHTED AT APPROX.
10:40 PM EST. THIS OBJECT ALSO TOOK A SLIGHT TURN UPWARD AND THEN
EXTINGUISHED LEAVING A CLOUD OF SMOKE WHICH REMAINED FOR SEVERAL
MINUTES. BOTH THESE OBJECTS CAME FROM THE NORTH IN STRAIGHT COURSE
DUE SOUTH UNTIL THEY EITHER EXTINGUISHED OR BLEWUP AND AT APPROX. THE
SAME ALTITUDE AND SAME PLACE ON THESE TWO DIFFERENT NIGHTS. IT IS NOT
CLEAR WHETHER THIS SECOND ONE BLEWUP OR MERELY EXTINGUISHED AS NO FLASH
WAS NOTICED AT THE END.

ON NIGHTS BETWEEN JULY 18 AND 24 NO OBSERVANCE WAS
MADE SO CANNOT SAY WHETHER THERE WERE ANY ON THOSE NIGHTS,

THIS WAS SIGHTED FROM A POSITION TEN MILES NORTH OF
KEY WEST ON SADDLE BUNCH SHORES, BOTH TIMES.

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				INFORMATION	
3				NOTE AND RETURN	
				PER CON-VERSATION	
4				SEE ME	
				SIGNATURE	
REMARKS The subject reports another object on July 24, with same characteristics. Please place this letter with his previous one mailed to you the other day, from this office					
FROM		DATE		PHONE	
L. Wells		1 Aug 63			

DD FORM 95
1 OCT 60

Replaces DD Form 94, 1 Feb 50 and DD Form 95, 1 Feb 50 which will be used until exhausted.

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