

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 20 Sep 63		2. LOCATION Pacific (Off Coast of Oregon)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Satellite ECHO T ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 21/0343Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Picket Vessel PV-3			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE East	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round red obj glowing brightly passing directly overhead. Believed to be Satellite. Sighted at 270 deg azimuth 30 deg elevation. Had appearance of 1st mag star. Heading East. Passed overhead. In sight 10 mins.				11. COMMENTS ECHO over Portland at 21/0348Z North of city heading SE. ECHO at 76 deg elevation. With Picket Vessel off coast ECHO would appear sooner. Obj evaluated as ECHO.	

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STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH
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ACTION: NIN-9

INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-4, SAF-OS-3, DIA-25, DIA/CIIC-2 (45)

SMB A090

HQA376ZCQJA726

PP RUEAHQ

DE RUWHKP 13 21/0947Z

ZNR

P 210343Z

FM POADS ADAIR AFS OREG

TO RUWGALE/ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

RUWHBH/25TH ADIV MCCHORD AFB WASH

RUCDSD/AIR INTEL CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUEAHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC

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U.F.O.B. IS FORWARDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2.

I. 1. ROUND 2. UNKNOWN 3. RED 4. 1 5. N/A 6. GLOWING BRIGHTLY

7. SEE SECTION II 4 BELOW 8. NONE 9. APPEARED TO BE FALLING.

II. 1. PICKET VESSEL PV-3 2. 30 DEGREE ELEVATION 270 DEGREE

BEARING 3. OBJECT TRAVERSED DIRECTLY OVER HEAD 090 DEGREE HEADING

4. AF30654, FLYING NORTH OF RED BLUFF CALIF. SPOTTED OBJECT 295

DEGREES FROM HIS POSITION...BURNING BRIGHTLY AT 0540Z.

UNITED AIRLINES 733, 70 MILES SOUTH OF MEDFORD ALSO

OBSERVED AN OBJECT LIGHTING UP THE ENTIRE SKY. FOG 93, AC135,

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TOOK A CELESTIAL ON OBJECT...IT DISAPPEARED AT 42 DEGREES NORTH FROM HIS POSITION OF 40 MILES NNE OF MEDFORD ORE...SAID OBJECT WAS SO BRIGHT IT LIGHTED UP THE WHOLE SKY. THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS STATIONS SPOTTED THE SAME OBJECT AT APPROXIMATELY 0540Z MEDFORD ORE...OBJECT WAS BEARING 260 DEGREES FROM STATION ARCADEA CALIF... OBJECT WAS BEARING 350 DEGREES FROM STATION KLAMATH CALIF...OBJECT WAS BEARING 240 DEGREES FROM STATION. IN ADDITION, A FLYING TIGER HEADED NORTH OVER UKIAH CALIF. SAID OBJECT APPEARED IN FRONT OF HIM, THEN DROPPED STRAIGHT DOWN... ALTHOUGH HE COULDN'T ASCERTAIN THE DISTANCE. PV-3 REPORTED VISUAL SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT BELIEVED TO BE SATELLITE. POSITION 45 DEGREES 22 MINUTES NORTH 135 DEGREES 34 MINUTES WEST. OBJECT SIGHTED AT TIME OF 0343Z BEARING 270 DEGREES TRUE AT HEIGHT OF 30 DEGREES. OBJECT HAD APPEARANCE OF A FIRST MAGNITUDE STAR AND TRAVERSED DIRECTLY OVERHEAD ON APPARENT TRUE COURSE 090 DEGREES. OBJECT HAD COMPLETED OVERHEAD ARC IN APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES. 5. N/A 6. 10 MIN

III. 1. VISUAL, GROUND TO AIR, AND AIR TO AIR 2. UNKNOWN

3. 4 ACFT SEE II 4. ABOVE

IV. SEE II 4 ABOVE

V SEE II 4 ABOVE VI. SEE II 4 ABOVE

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NOTE: ADV CY TO DIA & NIN

