

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 May 64		2. LOCATION Boise, Idaho		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Flare</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>05/0300Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>multi</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>n/a</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>two (?)</u>			
		9. COURSE <u>falling</u>			
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING News coverage of 20,000 candle power flare reported initially by Boise TV stations. Unidentified observer reported firball to TV station. Man had set-off this surplus marine flare to show son. Flare descended on 12 ft parachute. This explained rash of reports from area.				11. COMMENTS <u>FLARE</u>	

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ACTION: NIN-7

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INFO : SAF-OS-3, XOP-1, XOPX-4, DIA-15 (31

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RUCDSQ/AFSC FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUEAHQ/HEADQUARTERS USAF AFNIN WASH 25 DC

RUEAHQ/SECRETARY OFTHEAIRFORCE SAFOI WASH 25 DC

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UNCLAS IXO 10220. UFO. DUE TO WIDESPREAD

NEWS COVERAGE THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED ON 20,000 CANDLE

POWER FLARE INITIALLY REPORTED BY BOISE TV STATIONS AS

UFO. DESCRIBED AS REDDISH ORANGE FIREBALL SLOWLY

DESCENDING INTO SEAMANS GULCH NORTHWEST OUTSKIRTS OF BOISE,

IDAHO, AT 0300 ZULU 5 MAY, DWIGHT JENSEN, KBOI-TV NEWS

REPORTER REVEALED TO THE INVESTIGATING OFFICER THAN AN

UNIDENT

IFIED MAN CALLED HIM TO EXPLAIN THE FIREBALL. HE
HAD SET OFF ONE SURPLUS TWENTY THOUSAND CANDLE POWER
MARINE FLARE, OF WHICH HE HAS MANY, IN ORDER TO SHOW IT TO

INCOMING
MESSAGE

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH

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HIS SON. THESE FLARES DESCEND ON A TWELVE FOOT PARACHUTE.

MR. JENSEN CONVINCED HIMSELF OF THE AUTHENTICITY OF
THE EXPLANATION. DUE TO THE TIMELY EXPLANATION OF
THE UFO ON 5 MAY THE INVESTIGATION WAS SUSPENDED BY
MOUNTAIN HOME AFB OFFICIALS.

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flame

Following message received by black phone :

5 May / 0534 Z

FM: Sgt. Brown AF Command Post - Pentagon

by SAC at

Message from SAC received 10450 Z reports that the Sherriff of Boise, Idaho, called Mountain Home AFB to report that 2 large red ~~glowing~~ balls were seen by several reliable witnesses.

Witnesses reported the balls seemed to be landing - instead of falling - because of a gradual movement downward and flames shooting downward. Landing area was reported as 10-12 miles NW of Boise. Sherriff's ^{men} and SAC officers will check the landing area in the morning.

FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED BY BLACK PHONE: 5 MAY/0534Z

FM: SGT BROWN AF COMMAND POST - PENTAGON.

MESSAGE FROM SAC RECEIVED BY SAC AT 0450Z REPORTS
THAT THE SHERIFF OF BOISE, IDAHO, CALLED
MOUNTAIN HOME AFB TO REPORT THAT
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SEVERAL RELIABLE WITNESSES.
WITNESSES REPORTED THE BALLS SEEMED
TO BE LANDING - INSTEAD OF FALLING -
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DOWNWARD AND FLAMES SHOOTING
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DOWNWARD. LANDING AREA WAS
REPORTED AS 10-12 MILES NW OF
BOISE. SHERIFF'S MEN AND
SAC OFFICERS WILL CHECK
THE LANDING AREA IN THE MORNING.

THIS WAS A 20,000 ~~WATT~~ CANDLE POWER FLARE. MAN AND HIS SON ADMITTED
SHOOTING IT OFF. UFO OFFICER DIDN'T GET THERE NAMES. IT WAS
BROADCASTED OVER THE RADIO. UFO OFFICER DROPPED THE INVESTIGATION BECAUSE
IT WAS NO LONGER A UFO. CASE CLOSED.

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