

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
16 December 1965 16/1409 Z	15 JAN 172.00E (Pacific)
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Civilian (NW Airlines)	Other (SATELLITE DECAY) <i>Pon. Meteor - true info</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	No reports of decay for this date. However, all characteristics of decay are present. Possible one of components not being tracked decayed in this time period.
One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
3 minutes	Observers sighted a round bright object which was changing colors. It broke into seven or eight objects flying in formation. It had contrails extending a long ways. It headed SE and they faded one by one with lowest object fading last.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	No decay this date.
Air-Visual	
7. COURSE	
SE	
8. PHOTOS	
☐ Yes	
☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
☐ Yes	
☒ No	

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INFO : KOP-1, XOPX-2, SAF-OS-3, DIA-1, (15)

00 RUEAHQ

ZNR UUUUU

Q P 179343Z

FM AAC

TO RUEAHQ/CSAF

RUNG ALE / ADC

RK0350/FTD WPAFB OHIO

RUEBBA/AFSC

INFO RUMGALB/CINNOGAD

ZE N/C INCAL

BT

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CINCNORAD FOR NIPO-O, CINCAL FOR J-2. REF DEFSMAC MSG 1156-65.
FOLLOWING UFO REPORTED IAW AFR 200-2.

A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT:

QL ROKND.O

(2) MED IMU, SIZE OF A/C.

(3) BRIGHT; CHANGING COLOGS.

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GL NONE: BREAKING INTO SEVEN OR EIGHT IN FORMATION.

(5) ONE: CIRCULAR.

(6) RESEMBLED FORMATIONNOF FIGHTER A/C.

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(7) CONTRAILS EXTENDING FOR 1 MILE.

(CL NONE.

(9) ORIGINAL OBECT BROKE UP INTO CLOSE FORMATION.O

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT;0

JKQLNBRIGHTNESS OF THE LIGHTS.

(2) ABOVE SOURCE'S ALTITUDE OX 33,000 TO 37,000 FEETJM

(3)NSAME AS IN B(2).

(4)NOD3:5 2343 HEADED SOUTH EAST, AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED.(

(5) FADED ONE BY ONE WITH LOWEST OBJECT FADING LAST.O

(6) APPROXIMATELY 3 MINUTES.O

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) AIR-VISUAL.

(2) LIGHTS TURNED OFF IN AIRCRAFT COCKPIT.

(3) BOEING 320C; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 268; 33,000 TO
37,000 FEET; 067 DEGREES MAGNETIC; 470 KNOTS TRUE AIR SPEED;
TOKYO, JAPAN TO TRAVIS AFB, CALIF.

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D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING;

(1) 16/1429Z

(2) NIGHT.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER:

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4515N, 17200E.

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER:

(1) [REDACTED]

(2) C, N/A.0

G. WEATHER AND WINDS:

CLNMISSING.

(2) SHEMYA AFS, ALASKA:

DEGGEES

80,000 FEET-210 DEGREES/50 KTS.00

20,000 FEET-240 DEGREES/50 KTS.

30,000 FEET- MISSING.

40,000 FEET- MISSING.

50,000 FEET-MISSING

(3) 3000 FEET BOKEN, HIGH OVERCAST.

(4) 7 MCLES.0

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(5) SAME AS GELM

(7) NONE.

(7) SURFACE: 34 DEGREES F.

H. NONE.

I. NONE.

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J. NONE.

K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, REFERENCE DEFSMAC MSG 1156-65, 16/

2100Z.

L. NONE.

BT

NOTE: MESSAGE HAS BEEN SERVICED.
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