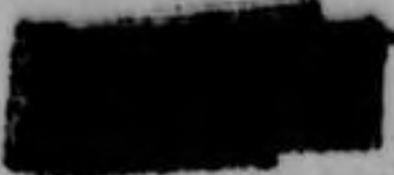


PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD


1. DATE 4 Dec 52	2. LOCATION TANANA AFB, ALASKA		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1730 GMT 05/0330 Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE CIV. MAN		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION --	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A brilliant blue-white light falling downward appeared to land.		11. COMMENTS Reporting officer evaluates it as a meteor.	



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This is a CIRVIS message: "West and south of Tanana, Alaska, vicinity an unidentified brilliant, blue-white light at low altitude and high speed moving west to southeast appeared to land southeast. Light seen by native dog team driver traveling one mile west. Also seen by numerous natives and white residents of town. Object sighted at 050330Z, 5 Dec 52. (Reference ATIC Document 97607)

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MET BELIEVES SIGHTING TO BE METEOR X

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ACTION: OIN

AF IN : 26000 (8 Dec 52)

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NR : AFOIN-2 34661 5 Dec 52 (DTG 050850Z)

CIRVIS FLASH EVALUATION BY ESTIMATES DUTY OFFICER

Ref fol msg Tanana Alaska DTG 050605Z. West and south Tanana Alaska vicinity unidentified brilliant blue white light low altitude high speed moving west to southeast appeared to land southeast. Light seen by native dog team driver travelling one mile west. Also seen by numerous native and white residents of town. Object sighted 050330Z. No further information can be added at the present time. Further evaluation will be forwarded when available.

NOTE : DTG 050605Z is AF IN 24605 (5 Dec 52)

ORIGINATOR : OEN

DISTRIBUTION: ARMY, NAVY, CIA, JCS, OOP, OOP-CP, OSD

AF OUT : 34661

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SECURITY INFORMATION

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TO ATIAA-5 RUPPELT FR AFOIN-~~UNCLASSIFIED~~  
FOLG MSG M-263 DTD 24 NOV 52 FR USARMA TEHRAN  
IRAN FOR YOUR INFO:

**ACTION**

"FLYING SAUCERS HAVE COME TO IRAN. IRAG  
G2 HAS RECD NUMEROUS REPTS OF STRANGE OBJECTS  
IN AIR OVER NORTHEAST IRAN-USSR BORDER.

OBJECTS APPEAR AT NIGHT AND IN SOME INSTANCES  
SEEM TO BE CONTROLLED IN THAT THEY ARE REPTED  
TO FLY OVER BORDER INTO IRAN AND THEN RETURN  
TO USSR. THIS INFOR SUPPLIED BY CONFIDENTIAL  
AMER SOURCE WHO OBTAINED IT FROM IRAN G2.

SOURCE BELIEVES OBJECTS MAY BE SOVIET FLARES  
USED TO ILLUMINATE BORDER AS PRECAUTION AGAINST  
ILLEGAL BORDER CROSSERS. FLARES AND VERY  
PISTOLS KNOWN TO BE EXTENSIVELY EMPLOYED FOR  
THIS PURPOSE AND FOR SIGNALLING. INDIAN MIL  
ATTACHE REPTS ONE FLYING OBJECT RECOVERED ON  
IRAN SIDE AND SENT TO TEHRAN AFTER WHICH  
IDENTIFIED AS METEOROLOGICAL BALLOON.

SPECULATION ON SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE REPTS  
IS CONJECTURAL AT BEST. WHILE UNDOUBTEDLY  
EXAGGERATED AS RESULT OF CHRONIC JITTERS OF  
BORDER PEOPLE, REPTS PROBABLY INDICATE  
INCREASED SOV SURVEILLANCE AND TIGHTER  
BORDER SCTYMEAS. THEY MAY ALSO BE DELIBERATELY  
INTENDED TO CONFUSE IRANIANS IN CURR WAR  
OF NERVES."

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