

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5 April 1955	2. LOCATION Elk, New Mexico		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 05/1745Z	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		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION ten seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE straight down	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One round object with a fan shaped tail the size of a baseball held at arm's length was seen in the bright sunlight. Color of object was a green-purple with an orange tail. Object first seen at an angle of 30° due south. Upon disappearing it exploded two feet above the ground. Object appeared to fall at same rate as stone would. Observer seated in a truck at time of observing. No Report In File		11. COMMENTS Probable meteor sighting-see attached news clipping. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;"> <p style="text-align: right;">K 243.6012-1 APR 1955</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RETURN TO:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Astronomy Studies Inst 10073-100 Wallops Branch Wallops AFB, Albemarle</p> </div>	

'Green Fireball' Seen

— ROSWELL, N. M., April 5 (AP). —
A "green fireball" with a flaming
tail was reported seen over sev-
eral southeastern New Mexico
towns today. Civil Aeronautics
Authority offices in both Roswell
and Carlsbad said pilots flying
in those areas had reported
sighting the mysterious object.

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