

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>26 May 1955</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Chitose AB, Japan</u>		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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>26/0018Z</u>	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 <u>Military (control tower)</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>2 or 3 minutes</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>N/A</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, white object followed by smoke trail with sparks and/or flames, falling from object. No sound. Altitude of 3-4,000 feet. The object seemed like it was trying to make a landing at Chitose AB. Light went on and off like a signal. Descended slowly in level flight. No explosion observed.		11. COMMENTS Report received from two reliable AF tower operators. Rpt states light rain showers. Evaluation that object could have possibly been an a/c and due to cloudy rainy wx condition that existed caused an illusion of trailing smoke and sparks. Possibly a jet.	

0574 *Multi*

SECRET **ACTION**

UNCLASSIFIED REPLY OR REF IF DTG IS QUOTED
PRIORITY
FROM COM AAGSPOM 1226 CHITOSE AB JAPAN
TO COM ABC

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COM ATIC WPAFB OHIO
COM INTLL WED USAF WASH DC
COM FLAF TOKYO JAPAN
COM AAC
COM AIF DIV 39

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PARAPHRASE NOT REQUIRED, SEE CRYPTO CENTER

Classification Canceled
OR Changed to *UNCL*
Auth: *AER 205-112*
TRCA 2-176 (ii)

REF 1226-3037

REF AFR 200-2 ITD 25 MAR 54 AND TRAF 20-52, ITD 12 MAR 54. (1)
A. COUNTRY. B BASKETBALL. C WHITE. D 1. E NOT APPL. F APPROACHING STA
AS A ROUND OBJECT. G SMOKE TRAIL BEHIND OBJECT. H SMOKE TRAIL BEHIND
OBJECT AND SPARKS OF SMALL FLAMES FALLING FROM OBJECT, ABOUT SAME
SIZE AS OBJECT. I NO SOUND. J OBJECT WAS TRAVELING TOWARD THE CENTER
AT SPEED OF APX 150 TO 200 MPH AND WAS DISTINGUISHABLE FOR ABOUT
2 OR 3 MIN. IT APPEARED TO BE VERY OB BRIGHT LIGHT AT ALT OF 3
TO 4000 FT. THIS OBJECT SEEMED AS IF IT WERE TRYING TO MAKE A LANDING
AT CHITOSE AB. THE LIGHT WENT ON AND OFF 2 OR 3 TIMES, PERHAPS AS
A SIGNAL. I IMMED TOOK BINOCULARS AND WATCHED OBJECT, HOWEVER
SHORTLY THEREAFTER LIGHT WENT OUT, BUT CONTINUED TO WATCH AS
PERHAPS IT MAY HIT THE GROUND AND EXPLODE. NO EXPLOSION WAS OBSERVED.
(A) A VERY BRIGHT LIGHT IN SKY. B 33 DEG ANGLE TO CON 2, DISTANCE
OF 8 TO 10 MI NORTHEAST OF CHITOSE AB C APX AS IN (B) ABOVE,
PERHAPS A SLIGHT BIT CLOSER TO PTA AND A LOWER ALT. D DESCENDING
SLOWLY IN STRAIGHT FLT AT AN ANGLE OF ABOUT 33 DEG TO CHITOSE
AB, SPEED WAS APX 50 TO 200 MPH. E LIGHT WAS ON CONTINUOUS FOR
APX 2 MIN, THEN WENT ON AND OFF 2 OR 3 TIMES THEN DISAPPEARED.
F 2 F2 AND 1/2 TO 3 MIN. (3) A GROUND VISIBILITY B BINOCULARS
(15X). C NOT APPL (4) A 2313Z, 26 MAY CURP. B DUSK. (5) CENTER,
CHITOSE AB, JAPAN, 42 DEG, 43 MIN NORTH, 141 DEG 39 MIN EAST.
(6) A NOT APPL B SCHNELL, STANLEY A. AMN FIRST CL AFSN 16413233,
1226 AACSSO, CON TUR SPECL, VERY RELIABLE. SMITH, DEWEY D. AMN
SECOND CL AFSN 16435197 CON TUR SPECLCUM VERY RELIABLE. (7) A 1912
CHITOSE WY EST 2500 BROKEN 7000 OVERCAST VISIBILITY 7 MI WITH LIGHT
RAIN SHOWERS. B 2-4 AS DET WX SURFACE 13037, 1000 FT 13025, 1600
FT 12035, 2000 FT 13020, 3000 FT 1 FT 130340. C EST 2500 BROKEN
7000 OVERCAST DET 7 MI (VISIBILITY NORTHEAST APX 10 MIL). E. 4
F NO THUNDERSTORMS. (8) NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY. (9) NO PHOTOS 1Z
(AN F 26D SCRAMBLED FROM MISAWA AB TO INVS. (11) NEG. AIRF
TRAFFIC IN THAT AREA. (12) NO COMMENT, POSSIBLE CAUSE UNKNOWN
11/1430Z

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