

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 December 1956	2. LOCATION Nevada		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>night</u> GMT <u>04/1200Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" 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 AF Pilot		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-5 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE 45 dgr arc to earth	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING AF pilot flying T-33 at 38,000 ft observed dazzling white ball of fire with long white trail falling earthward. Before disappearing appeared to burst or explode leaving red glowing objects or streamers.		11. COMMENTS Description and characteristics of object indicate that pilot apparently was in the very close vicinity of a fireball. Fireball shattered or lost fragments upon impact with the denser portion of the earth's atmosphere. Observing such a body at close range is generally considered a rarity. Opinion corroborated by ATIC astronomer.	

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2.A. WAS FLYING AT 38,000 FT, ON TOPE OF ALL CLOUDS, PRPP PACIFIC TIME. WAS ALERTED BY BRIGHT FLASH THAT LIT UP ENTIRE AREA - AT FIRST THOUGHT IT WAS LIGHTING FROM BELOW, BUT LOOKED UP AND SAW THIS BRIGHT, WHITE BALL, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY THE TRAIL & FALLING SPARKS. PASSENGER OBSERVED THE SAME AND CONCURS IN DESCRIPTION. THE INITIAL FLASH WAS BRILLIANT. WMB. WAS FLYING AT 38M FT, HEADING 071 DEG MAG. OBJECT WAS AT 0200 O'CLOCK HIGH. TRAIL WAS FROM THE POSITION TOWARD 0300 O'CLOCK POSITION, RT DEG DOWNWARD. 2.C. AS ABOVE 2.D. AS ABOVE 2E. FADED OUT, AS A FALLING CELESTIAL BODY, ONLY WITH THE BRIGHT OBJECT AT THE INITIAL PHASE, AS OPPOSED TO THE FALLING STAR WITH THE BODY AT THE FRONT OF THE PATH. NO COMPARISON IN INTENSITY OR SIZE WITH THE ANY STAR OR CELESTIAL BODY I HAVE EVER HEARD OF - AT LEAST 20 AWT TIMES WIDER FLIGHT PATH. WMF. E A T SECONDS (FROM 1ST EXPLOSION) OR FLASH, THAT ALERTED ME, EMA. AIR VISUAL 3.B. NONE - CLEAR NIGHT. EMC. T-33 35197 EIPPP PUQ DEG 425 KNOTS, WESTOVER AFB. RMA. QWPPZ 4 DEC 56 4.B. NIGHT 5.A. EO DEG 30N 115DEG 40W 6.A. N/A 6.B. MAJOR 14364A CHIEF FLYING SAFETY, HEADQUARTERS 8 AF PILOT 100 PERCENT. UMA. CLEAR ABOVE, BROKEN CLOUDS 10,000 BELOW, WINDS W00/25K. UMB. NOT AVAILABLE 7.C. UNKNOWN 7.D. UNLIMITED 7.E. TXQPTH

see sketch above

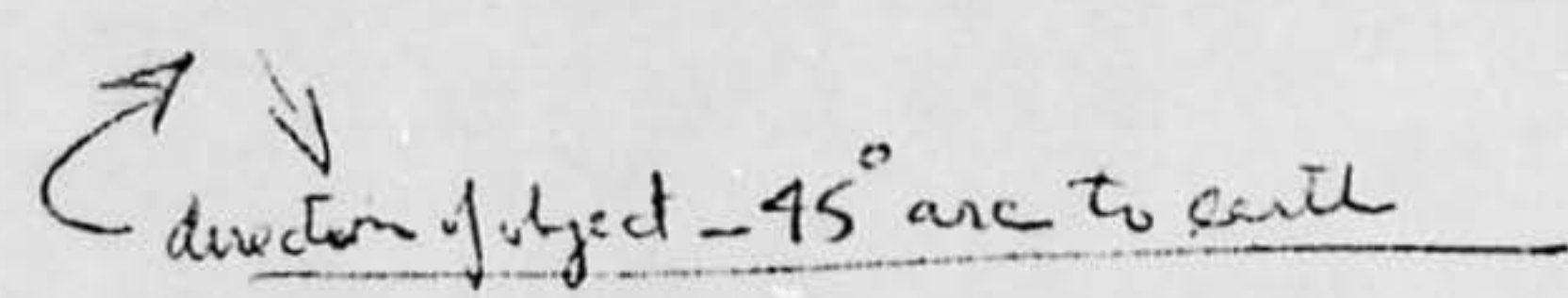
i.e. about 135 degrees from true North

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observed at 0200 clock high

over Gulf of Lower California - Mexico

38,000 feet



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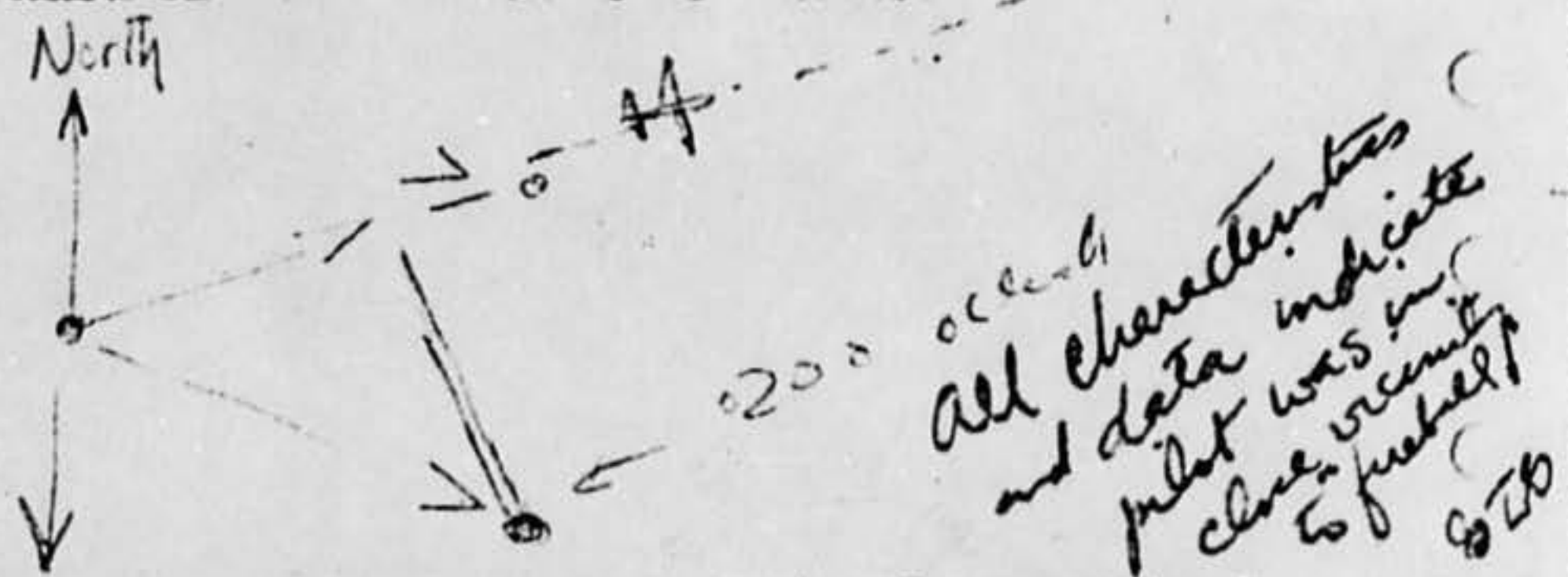
UNDERCAST. NO VISIBLE CLOUDS IN ANY QUADRANT AT OR ABOVE FLIGHT

ALTITUDE. UMF. NONE 8. NONE 9. N/A 10. NONE 11. CHIEF,
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION 90TH SRW. NOT PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS MADE.

12. NONE

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*occurs
all characteristics
and data indicate
pilot was in
close vicinity
to fuel tank
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/UNCLAS/90DOI 12 PWQYM SUBJECT UFOB REPORT: THE FOLLOWING

INFORMATION FORWARDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PAR 7.D. AFR 200-2. QMA.

ROUND BALL OF FIRE (WHITE), IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY MANY RED GLOW-

ING (SMALL) OBJECTS FALLING EARTHWARD. QMB. APPEARED THE SIZE OF

A SILVER QUARTER. LEFT A WHITE TRAIL RESEMBLING THE CONTRAIL OF A

B-52 FALLING AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE TOWARD THE EARTH. DISAPPEARED PRIOR TO

REACHING HORIZON. QMC. WHITE FLASH, REDDISH STREAMERS, LIKE HOT

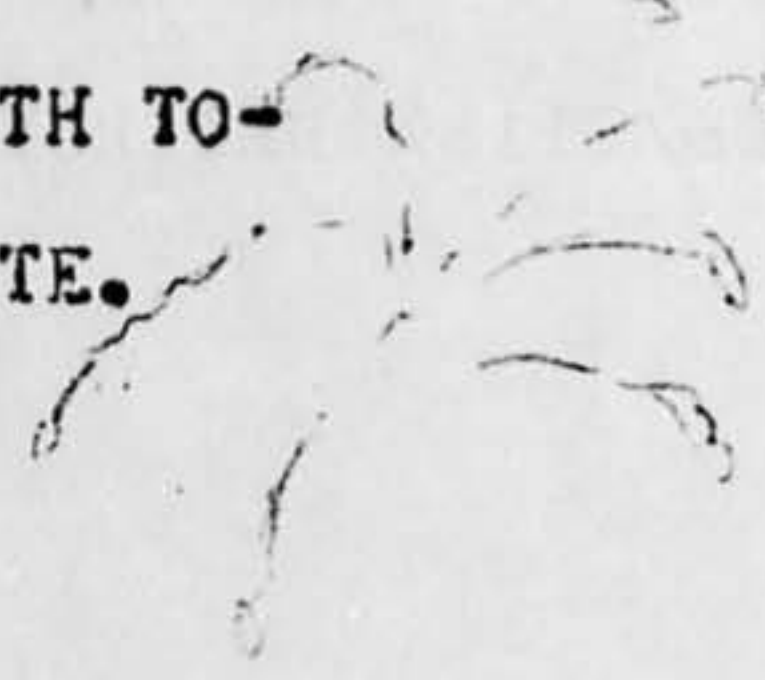
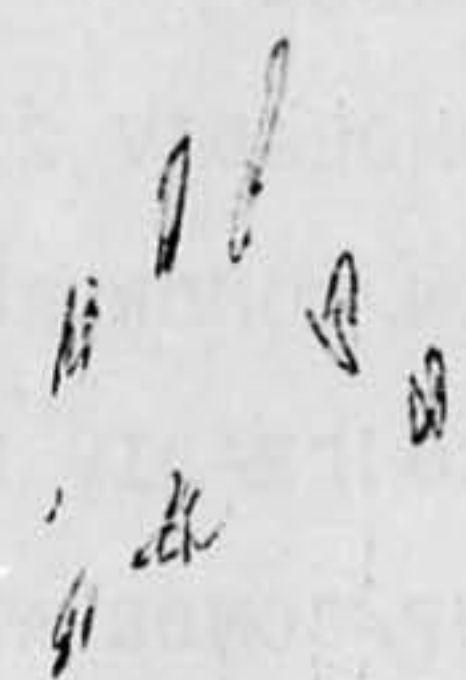
COALS, FALLING STRAIGHT DOWN FROM OBJECT, AND WIDE WHITE PATH TO-

WARD EARTH. QMD. ONE, WITH PERHAPS (5) A Y RED TRAILING OBJECTE.

1.E. N/A 1.F. N/A 1.G. SEE C ABOVE 1.H. NONE 1.J NONE

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UQ!UNCLAS/90DOI 12 0381. SUBJECT UFOB REPORT. REFERENCE OUR

MESSAGE 90 DOI 12 0216 DATED 052240Z REPEATING GA

EED PARAGRAPH TWO

FOXTROT QUOTE 3-5 SECONDS FROM 1ST EXPLOSION OF FLASH, THAT ALERTED

ME. UNQUOTE ATTN: 4602 AISS-THIS ANSWERS YOUR MESSAG AISEO 1067.

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Par 2.1 - length of time 3-5