

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 January, 1960	2. LOCATION Kingman, Arizona Lake Mead, Nevada		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 0713 Z 4 Jan	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 Civilian and Military		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 Seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Three	9. COURSE Descending	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <p>Report of objects described as blue flame with white tail. Two at Kingman and one at Lake Mead. Kingman objects moving SW. One at Lake Mead descending. In view for 10 seconds. Report from Civilian Pilot. Second report from Military pilot viewed objects and identified them as meteors.</p> <p>Harpman.</p>		11. COMMENTS <p>Description of meteors. Probably from the Quadrantids shower, which are of medium speed and have long paths.</p>	

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FM 1902 AACSRON

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB

RJWZSB/28 AIRDIV HAMILTON AFB

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF WASHDC

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UNCLAS FROM FLT SVC CITE 22 ACTION ADC 28 AD ATIC AFCIN AFOIS UFO

A.

1. NONE OBSERVED
2. NOT VISIBLE JUST FLAME
3. BLUE FLAME WHIE TAIL
4. THREE
5. NO CONNECTION
6. APPEARED TO BE METEORITE
7. BLUE FLAME
8. NONE

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9. NONE

OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE

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B.

1. CIVILIAN PILOT CALLED ATTENTION TO OBJECTS
2. DESCENDING 42 DEGREES ANGLE
3. DESCENDING 40 DEGREES ANGLE
4. STRAIGHT DESCENT TO GROUND
- . TWO SOUTHWEST ONE APPEARED TO GO INTO GROUND
5. 12 SECONDS

C.

1. AIR VISUAL
2. NONE
3. 283 DEGREES 32000 410K BOISE IDA T33 PEAR 98

D.

1. 0713Z 4 JAN 60
2. NIGH

E.

WO AT KINGMAN ARIZONA . ONE AT LAKE MEAD NEVADA

F. NONE

1. NONE
2. HARPMAN V. L. 2LT 190TH FIS BOISE GUARD IDA VERY RELIABLE

G.

1. SCATTERED MIDDLE LAYER CLOUDS AROUND 12000 FT UNLIMITED VSBY
2. SURFACE N AT 20K 6000 350 DEGREES AT 15K 10000 020 DEGREES AT 20K 16000 360 DEGREES AT 20K 20000 240 DEG AT 35K 30000 260 DEG AT 35K 50000 260 DEG AT 40K 30000 UNKNOWN
3. NONE
4. UNLIMITED

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5. APPROX 3/10 AT 12000 FT MSL

6. NONE

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. CIVILIAN BEACH CRAFT NUMBER 5H DELTA LOCAL VFR OUT OF MCCARRAN
FIELD LAS VEGAS NEVADA WAS 5 MILES SOUTH OF LAS

K. FLIGHT SERVICE CLEARANCE OFFICER HAMILTON FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER
1902ND AACSRON HAMILTON AFB CALIF. APPEARS TO BE METEORITES

L. NONE

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3 JANUARY 1960

On the same evening, a blue light which raced silently across the Las Vegas, Nevada sky, puzzled McCarran Field tower controlmen. "It was the fastest thing I ever saw," said tower employee Jack McMillen who spotted the light at about 11:05 p.m. A departing private plane also saw the object. Earlier that evening, four different pilots in two commercial airlines planes flying between Bryce Canyon and Mormon Mesa reported observing a similar light. Their reports of the object to Salt Lake City were intercepted by the McCarran tower. McMillen said he saw the light for about two or perhaps three seconds, going north to south at about a 15-20 degree elevation. He also said he had thought it might have been a meteor but changed his mind as it left no trail, and had a horizontal trajectory. He said he contacted a private plane which had just taken off and asked the pilot for confirmation. The pilot confirmed McMillen's sighting. An Air Force T-33 inbound to Nellis also confirmed its pilot had also seen a strange light.

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