

MILITARY AIR

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 29 Nov 60		2. LOCATION S of Kyushu Island, Japan		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 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 1838 GMT 0938Z		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			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE E		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING No shape; size--equivalent to North Star fm 21,000 ft; color--white, similar to second to fourth magnitude star in color; no features; Seemed to follow observers flight course. Unusual movement of white light against star background. Angle 45° fm horizon to zenith, azimuth fm 350° to 30° when sighted. About 45° above horizon at 2 o'clock position with sudden disappearance. Flight path--090° to E to start with, then followed straight path. No maneuvering; appeared to slow down on a parallel course at 030°. Appeared to be in orbital path.				11. COMMENTS Duration suggests artificial satellite. However, check with Spacetrack rules out satellite. Balloon was launched after sighting was made; no known a/c in area. Possibly balloon launched fm Communist territory, as it is known that balloons are launched fm an area NE of Japan. Due to inability to correlate object with some known object, report is evaluated as unidentified.	

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UNCLAS EFTO 3130C-1 U-11-217. UFO. FOR USAF-
AFCIN AND SAFS. ALL OTHER ADDRESSEES FOR INTELLIGENCE. REFERENCE
PAR 15, AFR 222-2, DATED 14 SEP 59. DATA IS SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS:

ITEM ALPHA: DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: (1) SHAPE: NONE (2) SIZE:
EQUIVALENT TO NORTH STAR FROM 21,000 FEET (3) COLOR: WHITE,
SIMILAR TO SECOND TO FOURTH MAGNITUDE STAR IN COLOR (4) NUMBER:
ONE (5) N/A (6) FEATURES: NONE (7) TRAIL: NONE, APPEARED TO
OBSERVEJ2 TO FOLLOW

ON A TRAJECTORY PARALLEL TO THEIR FLIGHT COURSE.

(8) NO SOUND (9) NONE. ITEM BRAVO: DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF
OBJECT: (1) THE TWO OBSERVERS NOTED AN UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OF A

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WHITE LIGHT AGAINST A STAR BACKGROUND (2) THE ANGLE WAS 45 DEGREES FROM HORIZON TO ZENITH AND THE AZINUTH WAS FROM 352 DEGREES TO 32 DEGREES. (3) ABOUT 45 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON AT TWO O'CLOCK POSITION WITH A SUDDENT DISAPPEARANCE. (4) FLIGHT PATH: 292 DEGREES TO EAST TO START WITH, THEN FOLLOWED A STRAIGHT PATH. NO MANEUVERING BUT APPEARED TO SLOW DOWN ON A PARALLEL COURSE AT 232 DEGREES. APPEARED TO BE IN AN ORBITAL PATH, ALTHOUGH OBSERVERS HAVE NEVER SEEN SATELLITE TRACKS BEFORE. (5) INSTANTANEOUS (7) DURATION OF SIGHTING: TEN MINUES. ITEM COCOA: MANNER OF ^{338 52 487123} OBYKRVAION (1) AIR VISUAL (2) NONE (3) TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: T-33, SERIAL NUMBER 554429, ALTITUDE 21,200 FEET, HEADING 15 DEGREES, TAS 322 KNOTS, HOME STATION KADENA AIR BASE. ITEM DE

✓ TA: TIME AND DATE OF SIGNTING (1) 2938Z TO 2943Z, 29 NOV 52. (2) LIGHT CONDITIONS: NIGHT. ITEM ECHO: (1) LOCATION OF OBSERVERS: FOURTEEN TO FOUR MINUTES SOUTH OF TARPON, NORTH OF AMAMI OSHIMA, WEST TO SOUTHWEST OF YAKU-SHIMA. ITEM FOXTROT: IDENTIFYING INFORMAT WN ON OBSERVERS: (1) N/A (2) BLWLIN, ROY L., JR., LT COLONEL, 313 AIR DIV, ASSISTANT DO, ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: B-2. (2A) BROWN, FRANK B., MAJOR, 313 AIR DIV, IG/OPS. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY: B-3 ITEM GOLF: WEATHER CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING: (1) OBSERVERS REPORTED VISIBILITY UNLIMITED, OVERCAST CLOUD DECK,

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TOPS 14,000 FEET. (2) REPORT FROM NEAREST AWS: SURFACE WINDS SE
8 KNOTS, 137 DEGREES, 5,000 FEET 260 DEGREES 12 KNOTS, 10,000 FEET
290 DEGREES 21 KNOTS, 15,000 FEET 290 DEGREES 40 KNOTS, 20,000 FEET
230 DEGREES 43 KNOTS, 30,000 FEET 270 DEGREES 59 KNOTS, 35,000
FEET 260 DEGREES 72 KNOTS, 40,000 FEET 250 DEGREES 89 KNOTS.

(3) CLEAR (4) TEN MILES VISIBILITY (5) CLOUD COVER CUMULUS TO
EAST, ALTO CUMULUS TO WEST. (6) NONE (7) TEMPERATURE GRADIENT
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WAS SUBMITTED ON 25 OCT 60. ITEM LIMA: NONE.

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Evaluation of UFO Sighting

313th Air Division
ATTN: Chief, Operational Division
APO 239
San Francisco, California

1. Reference your message 31300-I U-11-217, dated 30 November 1960, reporting the sighting of an UFO, and requesting an evaluation of the same.
2. A check was made with Space Track to determine if the object observed was possibly an earth satellite with negative results. The object reported cannot be correlated with any known object; therefore, the sighting is being carried as "unidentified." In the future if additional information is received which results in identification, your office will be informed of our findings.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Les J. Anthony
 PHILIP G. EVANS *Jan 1961 USAF*
 Colonel, USAF
 Deputy for Science and Components

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E2 *Robert J. Fiskel Major* Date *16 Dec 60*
 AFCIN-4E2 *H. E. Mather* Date *12/17/60*