PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 Feb 61	2. LOCATION 8 mi E of Indian Springs, Nevada		12. CONCLUSIONS Was Balloon Probably Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1340 GMT 062040Z 5. PHOTOS CE No	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual Air-Visual 6. SOURCE Military		Possibly Balloon Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Was Astronomical Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6 mi	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE NNW-ESE	Other Insufficient Date for Evaluation Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SICHTING Shiny, object aprox 5' in diameter. elevation, 144.70 azimuth. Watch object disappear. Move	Appeared at 47.8 itness did not	were moving in a ported to be moved to be moved to be moved and at this time have been in possible with balloons, in the mistook this There was a cloud	were fm 320°. These winds direction objt was re- ring. Objt sighted about these launched a balloon, a balloon launched would sition reported for objt. It is supposed to be familial to it is very possible that balloon for reported UFC. Indicover of 6-8/10 which sibuted to misidentifi-	

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UNCL/21-22-2155ACTION ADC, 27ADIV, ATIC, COFS (AFCIN)
AND USAF (SAFIS) UFO. ALFA (1) HALF MOON (2) SAME SIZE AS
INFLATED 428 FOOT WX BALLON AT 22,202 FT (3) REAL SHINY,
SHADOWED ON BOTTOM (4) ONE (5) N/A (6) NONE (7) NONE
(2) NO (9) NONE BRAVO (1) OBSERVOR WAS LUANCHING PIBAL
BALLON WREN THIS OTHER OBJECT WAS OBSERVED (2) ELEVATION 47.8
AZIMUTH 144.72 (3) DID NOT WATCH IT DISAPPEAR (4) OBJECT WAS
MOVING SLOWLY NNW-ESE (5) DID NOT TRACT IT OUT OF SIGHT
AIRMAN WAS TAKING A PIBAL RUN. (6) 6 MINS. CHARLIE (1) GROUND
VISUAL (2) THEODOLITE (22 POWER) (3) N/A. DELTA (1) 262042Z FEB

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(2) DAY ECHO (1) 36 DEGREE 35'N115 DEGREE 41W (2) INDIAN SPRINGS
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TUCKER, DET 31, 25 WX SQ, NELLIS AFB, NEV. GOLF (1) CLEAR (2) 6000'
250 DEGREE/2KTS, 10,000' 290 DEGREE/19KTS, 16,000' 010DEGREE
/12KTS, 20,000' 340 DEGREE/15KTS, 30,000' 320 DEGREE/8KTS, 50,000'
320 DEGREE/25KTS (3) 1,000' GROKEN (4) 35MI (5) 6 TO 8 TENTHS
(6) NONE (7) SFC TEMP

DEGREEF. HOTEL (1) NO IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN. JULIETTEANGLES PEAK CONTROLLER DENIED OBSERVING ANY RADAR TRACKS DURING
THE PERIOD OF ALLEDGED SIGHTING. KILO MAJOR ANTHONY J BUSALACCHI,
42289A, WING INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY REPORTED
FROM INDIAN SPRINGS TOWER OTHER THAN 4 AIRCRAFT BOMBING ON RANGE
NBR 1, LOCATED 8MI NE FROM POINT OF OBSERVATION BETWEEN THE HOURS
OF 2015 TO 2100ZFEB. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY REPORTED FROM NELLIS
TOWER. OBSERVER IS A WX FORECASTER WHO WORKS WITH BALLONS EVERY
DAY AND DUE TO HIS USE OF A 20 POWERED THEODOLITE THE POSSIBILITY
OF A WX BALLOON IS RULED OUT. LIMA. NONE

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UNCLAS OI-02 0301 AFCIN YOUR MSG AFCIN-4E2X 2-915. ITEM ONE: SIZE OF OBJECT WAS THE SAME SIZE AS A 40 GRAM WE'A

BALLOON OT 20,000 FT. IN CHECKING WITH THE 25TH WEA SO HERE

AT NELLIS, A 40 GRAM BALLOON IS APPROXIMATELY 4 FT IN DIAMETER

AT SURFACE AND EXPANDS TO APPROXIMATELY 5FT IN DIAMETER AT

ITEM THREE: AZIMUTH 47.6 DEGREE ELEVATION 143.30 DEGREE.

20,000 FT. ITEM TWO: AIRMAN WAS FACING TO THE NORTHWEST.

ITEM FOUR: OBJECT

WAS SIGHTED 15 TO 15 MINUTES AFTER LAUNCHING OF PIBAL BALLOON.

853. 5: AIRMAN TUCKER CALLED A/2C STEPHAN R TANNER, AFSC

25251, DET 31, 25TH WEATHER SQ, NELLIS AFB WHO WAS ON PIBAL

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RUN WITH HIM TO VERIFY HIS FIGURES AT TIME OF OBSERVATION.

AIRMAN TANNER HAS NO ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON SIGHTING

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