

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE XXXXX 10 Jun 61		2. LOCATION 1925N 11620E (Far East)		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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1918 GMT 10/1118Z Jun 61		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 Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 11 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SE		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright object bearing 320 deg, elev 60 deg with brilliancy of Jupiter moved directly overhead and emitted fire and fragments while continuing on course bearing 145 deg elev 30 deg at 1137L. Disap. occurred behind heavy cloud formation. Brilliancy of int. obj. at 7. at disap. ceased.			11. COMMENTS There is a previous report of a bright object at a similar time, however the evidence of fragments and fire rules out SRM. There XXXX was one XXXX reentries prior to 1 Jul, 1959 Delta 2, however continuation on course rules this out. Speed is excessive for any possible balloon release from the ship's airfield. Report contained only limited data and case is evaluated as insufficient data. It is probable that the object was SRM which had been launched from the ship's airfield.		

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From: Commander U. S. Naval Defense Forces Eastern Pacific  
To: Commander, ATIC, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio  
Subj: Unidentified flying object

1. The following report was received by the Master of SS KOREAN BEAR of the Pacific Far East Lines and is forwarded for information.

"At 101118Z (June 1961) while taking evening stars, observed a bright object at latitude 19.25N - 116.20E bearing 320 degrees, altitude 60 degrees. Brilliancy identical to that of Jupiter. Vehicle was directly overhead at 1121Z emitting fire and fragments and continuing on course bearing 140 degrees, altitude 20 degrees at 1129Z before it disappeared behind a heavy cloud formation with a brilliancy of a 1st magnitude star."

2. The above sighting was confirmed by two other officers and appeared similar to Echo satellite in orbit direction, but did not reappear.

3. Comment: Master is [REDACTED], a sincere, intelligent individual who has furnished reliable information in the past.

  
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By direction

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