

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 30 Aug 61		2. LOCATION Naha AB, Okinawa		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0247</u> GMT <u>301147Z</u>		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		<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 Military		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical METEOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 12	9. COURSE Varied		<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Aprox 12 objts ea appearing separately. Trail aprox 4" long at arms length. Increasing glow next to star. Appeared 30° elev, 200° az. Disappeared (aprox 8 of them) at 5° elev 135° az. Others 20° elev and 220° az due to nearby electric lights glow. Flight paths were long arching curves except for several that performed abrupt angular changes of direction with no apparent change in speed. Speed was tremendous.			11. COMMENTS Description of sighting has all characteristics of a meteor shower. It is probably August shower which starts on 25th and ends in Sep. Coordinates of apparent origin of shower 355+9 coincides with location indicated by witness as origin of objts. Fact that witness indicated that objts were going away fm him is due to an optical illusion. There is no reason to identify these objts as other than meteors.		

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FM 313 AIRDIV KADENA AFB OKINAWA

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RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDSO/ATIC WPAFB OHIO

INFO RJHPKY/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII

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U N C L A S E F T O M3130C-I U-8-314. COFS FOR AFCIN. BSAF FOR SAFIS.

UFO SIGHTING. REFERENCE PARAGRAPH 15 AFR 200-2: A (12 UNKNOWN

(2) HEAD OF PIN (3) UNKNOWN (4) APPROXIMATELY TWELVE (5) NMNE. EACH

APPEARED SEPARATELY. (6) NONE. (7) TRAIL APPROXIMATELY FOUR INCHES

LONG AT ARM, S LENGTH. (8) NMNE. (9) NONE. B (12 INCREASING GLOW

NEXT TO STAR. (2) 30 DEGREE ELEV, 200 DEGREE AZIMUTH. (3) APPROX

EIGHT DISAPPEARED FIVE DEGREE ELEV, 135 DEGREES AZIMUTH. OTHERS 20

DEGREES ELEV AND 220 DEGREES AZIMUTH DUE TO NEARBY ELECTRIC LIGHTS

GLOW. (4) FLIGHT PATHS WERE LONG ARCHING CURVES EXCEPT FOR SEVERAL

THAT PERFORMED ABRUPT ANGULAR CHANGES OF DIRECTION WITH NO APPARENT

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GYRATIONS PRIOR TO DEPARTING FROM THE ORIGINAL SIGHTING POINT. ONE PERFORMED A STEEP DIVE DESCRIBING THE LETTER V UPON PULLING UP. THE SPEED IS DESCRIBED BY THE OBSERVER AS TREMENDOUS. (E) ALL DISAPPEARED INSTANTANEOUSLY, APPROXIMATELY EIGHT TO THE SOUTHEAST AND APPROXIMATELY FOUR TO THE SOUTH (6) INDIVIDUAL OBJECTS FROM ONE TO THREE SECONDS. TOTAL SIGHTING TIME APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES. (C12 GROUND-VISUAL. (2) NONE. (3) N/A. (D-12 1147Z, 30 AUG 61 (2) NIGHT. E. NAHA AIR BASE, OKINAWA. F. (12 N/A. (2) STELLABOTTE, ARMAND, CAPT USAF, 623 AC&W SQDN OJT OFFICER. RATED COMMAND PILOT IN RECIPROCATING ENGINE AIRCRAFT. ESTIMATED RELIABILITY F-3. G. (1) EXCEPTIONALLY CLEAR. (2) SURFACE: CALM/6000FT: 101 DEG 12KTS/11,000FT: 190SDEG 10KTS/16,000: 070 DEG 16KTS/ 20,000FT: 290 DEG 11 KTS/30,000FT 090 DEG 11KTS/50,000FT 110 DEG 23KTS/80,000: EST 110DEG 25KTS. (3) 2,000 BROKEN, VERY LIGHT RAIN. (4) 11 MILES (5) 5/10 CUMULUS AT 2,000 FT: 3/11 ALTI CUMULUS AT 11,000FT. (6) NONE. (7) NO TEMPERATURE INVERSIONS WERE OBSERVED. H. NONE I. NONE.

J. RAWINSONDE BLOON RELEASED FROM KADENA AB AT 1057Z APPROX 11 MIN AFTER THE REPORTED SIGHTING. NO AIR TRAFFIC IN THE AREA. K. INTELLIGENCE NCOIC 313 AIRDIV. THERE WERE NO OTHER REPORTS OF THIS SIGHT-

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ING. NO CONCLUSION CAN BE DRAWN FROM THE INFORMATION REPORTED. L.

NONE

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