

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 Dec 52	2. LOCATION ANGOOK, ALASKA	17. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP L 6/115 G 6/1915Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Als Coastal Pilot	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Two	9. COURSE S
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF REPORTING Alaskan Coastal pilot observed and followed two shiny globes connected by solid red until they disappeared into the sun. Rear view presented a flattened appearance. Estimated speed of object was 150 knots at 2000' altitude.		11. COMMENTS

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PILOT [REDACTED] REPT UNIDENTIFIED ACFT PROCEEDING SOUTH OVER

CANNAN STRAIT HEAD ANCOON 11/19/57 ESTIMATED ATR SPEED 150 KNOTS

ALTITUDE 2,000 FEET, APPROX SIZE GRUMMAN COOSE. WEATHER CLEAR,

DISTANCE OBSERVATION 1 TO 2 MILES DURATION 3 MINUTES.

DESCRIPTION: 2 SHINY GLOBES CONNECTED BY SOLID ROD REAR VIEW

PRESENTED FLATTENED APPEARANCE, NO LIGHTS, NO VAPOR TRAIL,

NO EXHAUST SMOKE. FOLLOWED OBJECT UNTIL IT ACCELERATED

AND DISAPPEARED INTO SUN. RESEMBLED NO KNOWN ACFT. THIS

INFO ALREADY COMMON KNOWLEDGE IN TOWN UNQUOTE. WRITTEN REPT

WILL NOT BE PREPARED.

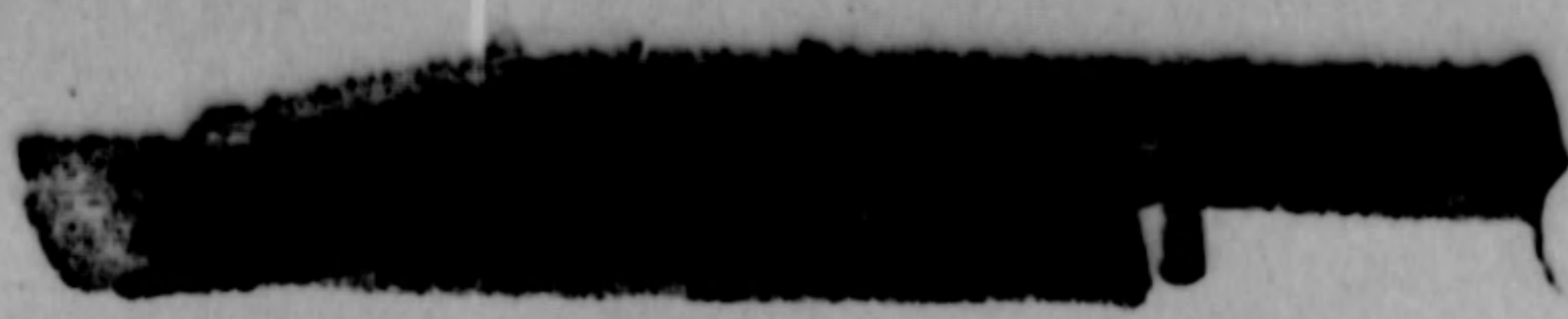
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Angoon, Alaska

6 December 1952

I. Description of Incident

An Air National Guard pilot sighted an object consisting of two shiny globes connected by a solid rod proceeding in a southerly direction. Time of sighting was 1915Z and lasted 3 minutes. The object assumed a flattened shape at times, but the observing pilot was unable to distinguish any lights, vapor trails or exhaust smoke although he chased the object until it apparently accelerated and disappeared in the sun. The pilot estimated size comparable to a Grumman Goose aircraft. Weather at the time of sighting was clear.

II. Discussion of Incident

This report is very sketchy and vague and there is not sufficient information to come up with a conclusion. The description of the object is quite similar to reports of known upper air research balloons and the fact that it appeared to gain altitude would lend credence to this explanation. However, among other items, no wind direction is known thereby eliminating a tie-up between the object's path and upper air wind currents.

III. Conclusion

Insufficient data to evaluate.

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