

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 September 1957		2. LOCATION Pecos, New Mexico		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 Meteor <input checked="" 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 _____ GMT 17/0342Z		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 Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION one second		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE Southwest	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Disc-shaped object, size of grapefruit white with yellow tint, very long dull blue vapor trail disappeared instantly. No sound.				11. COMMENTS Description, characteristics, flight path, short duration, etc. suggest a meteor.	

COUNTRY United States	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting		
AREA REPORTED ON Gubdalup Mission Priory	FROM (Agency) Det. 1, 4679th Ground Observer Sqdn.	
QF 1935 Pecos, New Mexico	146 Quincy St. NE, Albuquerque, N. Mexico	
DATE OF REPORT 20 September 1957	DATE OF INFORMATION 17 September 1957	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) CWO, W-2 Charles W. Jones	SOURCE [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

1. Description of object(s):

- a. Shape: Disk shape
- b. Size compared to a known object: Size of a grapefruit
- c. Color: White with yellow tint ← good clue!
- d. Number: One
- e. Formation, if more than one: N/A
- f. Any discernible features or details: Vapor trail very long (dull blue in color) and disappeared instantly
- g. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s): Very long vapor trails
- h. Any Sound. If heard, describe sound: N/A
- i. Other pertinent or unusual features: N/A

2. Description of course of object(s):

- a. What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)? Sky was clear and was looking at the sky and saw the object.
- b. Angle of elevation and azimuth of the object(s) when first observed: From true North 180 degrees and from horizon 10 degrees. ← South - Near Horizon
- c. Angle of elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance: From true North 325 degrees and from horizon 8 degrees. ← Southwest - Near Horizon
- d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object: Southwest
- e. Manner of disappearance of object: It went behind trees
- f. Length of time in sight: One (1) Second

3. Manner of observation:

- a. Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, ground electronic, air-electronic: Observed object through eyeglasses. Ground-visual.
- b. Statement as to optical aids used and description thereof: Eyeglasses.

COMPASS PLOT

HORIZON PLOT

NOTE

ATIC Conclusion: Prob. Meteor

Description, characteristics, flight path, short duration, etc suggest a true meteor - a number have been reported from the W. area this year.

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Air Defense Command (B) South 10° above Horizon WEST 8° above Horizon NORTH

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<p>c. If the sighting is made while airborne, give type aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station: N/A.</p>				
<p>4. Time and date of sighting:</p> <p>a. Zulu time-date group of sighting: 0342Z <i>0342-7=2042</i></p> <p>b. Light conditions. Night, day, dawn, dusk: <u>Night</u></p>				
<p>5. Locations of observer. Exact latitude and longitude of each observer, or Georef position, or position with reference to a known landmark: <u>Pecos, New Mexico.</u></p>				
<p>6. Identifying information of all observers: One observer saw the object, saying it was about the size of a grapefruit.</p>				
<p>7. a. Civilian - Name, age, Mailing address, occupation: <u>████████████████████</u> age 20 years, mailing address <u>████████████████████</u>, Pecos, New Mexico, occupation <u>unknown</u>.</p> <p>b. Military- Name, grade, organization, duty, and estimate of reliability. N/A.</p>				
<p>7. Weather and winds-aloft conditions at time and place of sightings:</p> <p>a. Observer account of weather conditions: Clear and cool.</p> <p>b. Report from nearest AWS or U.S. Weather Bureau Office of wind direction and velocity in degrees and knots at surface, 6,000', 10,000', 16,000', 20,000', 30,000', 50,000', and 80,000', if available: Unknown other than no wind. <i>NO WIND INFO.</i></p> <p>c. Ceiling: <u>Unknown.</u></p> <p>d. Visibility: <u>Clear.</u></p> <p>e. Amount of cloud cover: <u>Sky was clear.</u></p> <p>f. Thunderstorms in area and quadrant in which located: None.</p>				
<p>8. Any other unusual activity or condition, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting: None.</p>				
<p>9. Interception or identification action taken (such action may be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives): Was called into radar.</p>				
<p>10. Location of any air traffic in the area at time of sighting: None.</p>				
<p>11. Position title and comments of the preparing officer, including his preliminary analysis of the possible cause of the sighting: No comments.</p>				
<p>12. Existence of physical evidence, such as materials and photographs: None.</p>				