PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
18 October 1957

2. LOCATION
Avon Park, Florida

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local 1950
GMT 19/0050Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION
☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar
☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☐ No

6. SOURCE
Military

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
few seconds

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
one

9. COURSE
SW

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING
Stationary object with "in center" white light. Object itself was red-dish in color. After a few seconds it moved out of sight very fast. Obj had a tail train similar to jet on take off. Second observer seemed to t think light just went out rather than moving out of sight.

11. COMMENTS
Probable meteor sighting.

12. CONCLUSIONS
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☒ Was Astronomical Meteor
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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REFERENCES (MUFR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)

Unidentified Flying Object (UFOB)

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)

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Tail Train: Similar to Jet on take off.
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Length of time in sight: few seconds.
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observers name is A/1C Henry C. Zuniga, AF 18455679
No thunder storms were in area at time of observation.
Note: A/1C Zuniga and A/1C William E. Barnett, AF 14524192 are competent reliable aircraft controllers on the Avon Park Bombing and Gunnery Range. The only descrepancy that I could find on their observation of the light was that A/1C Barnett seemed to think it just went out rather than trailed off.

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MacDill AFB, Fla.

FROM: Bombing Range Officer
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Avon Park, Fla.

DATE: 22 Oct 57

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