PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE

17 Feb 59

2. LOCATION

Whidby NAS, Whidby Is. Wash.

3. DATE-TIME GROUP

Local _____

GMT 18/0558Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☒ No

6. SOURCE

Military

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

4-6 secs

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

one

9. COURSE

NW to SE

12. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☒ Was Astronomical Fireball
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other _____
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Round, bluegreen obj, size of dime. No trail.

11. COMMENTS

Description is typical of a fireball.

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UNCLASSIFIED/FROM 25ODI 2-115A. UFOB REPORT: THE FOLLOWING

UFOB REPORT IS FORWARDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AIR FORCE REGULATION

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PART I

1. ROUND

2. DIME

3. BLUEGREEN

4. ONE

5. NONE

6. NONE

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7. NO TRAIL

8. NONE

9. NONE

PART II

1. LIGHT IN SKY

2. 15 DEGREES NORTH WEST

3. DISSAPEARED ON HORIZON

4. STRAIGHT PATH NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST

5. DISSAPEARED ON HORIZON

6. FOUR TO SIX SECONDS

PART III

1. VISUAL, GROUND

2. NONE

3. NONE

PART IV

2. NIGHT

PART V

1. 4817N-12237W — Oak Harbor

4821N-12240W — 6 Miles W. of Whidbey NAS

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PART VI

1. NONE

2. PRESTON, J C, CPL USMC, 1837732, WHIDBEY NAS

LYON, T H, SGT, USMC, 13724[illegible], WHIDBEY NAS

ODOM, A, JR, CPL, 1563844, WHIDBEY NAS

URBANO, P, AAUSN, 9[illegible]29150, WHIDBEY NAS

ALL OF THE ABOVE PERSONNEL ARE CONSIDERED RELIABLE

PART VII

1. 7,000 FEET SCATTERED CLOUDS, 14,000 FEET CIRRUS OVERCAST

2. WIND REPORT:

SURFACE 062 DEGREES 4 KNOTS

6,000 155 DEGREES 15 KNOTS

10,000 165 DEGREES 24 KNOTS

16,000 125 DEGREES 22 KNOTS

2[illegible],000 17[illegible] DEGREES 18 KNOTS

3[illegible],000 215 DEGREES 25 KNOTS

5[illegible],000 26[illegible] DEGREES 2[illegible] KNOTS

3. ESTIMATED 2[illegible],000 FEET

4. 12 MILES

5. 98 PERCENT

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PART VIII NEGATIVE

PART IX NEGATIVE

PART X NONE

PART XI

THIS SIGHTING ORIGINATED THROUGH NAVAL SOURCES, WHIDBEY ISLAND AND WAS REPORTED TO THE AIR FORCE, 25 AIR DIVISION ELEVEN HOURS AFTER SIGHTING. AT OUR REQUEST THE NAVY INTERVIEWED MILITARY PERSONNEL AS INDICATED. PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS DISCLOSES SOME DISCREPANCY IN PART VII 1,3,4, AND 5. ALSO NO ALTITUDE WAS GIVEN ON OBJECT, PART 8. THIS IS THE SECOND SIGHTING ON A UFOB IN APPROXIMATELY THE SAME LOCATION WITHIN FOUR DAYS. THE FIRST SIGHTING LASTED FROM TWO TO FIVE SECONDS.

EVALUATION: FAIRLY RELIABLE PERSONNEL BUT WEATHER CONDITIONS NOT CONDUCIVE TO KEEN OBSERVATION. SECOND SIGHTING FOUR TO SIX SECONDS. THE TIME OF SIGHTINGS FAIRLY ACCURATE: FIRST 0505Z, SECOND: 0558Z. B-3 EVALUATION.

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PART XII NONE

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