PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 January 1961	2. LOCATION Naknek, Alaska	12. 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 Local 945 PM GMT 10/0745Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 90 Min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE SE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Circular objt 25' in diameter orange changing to blue. Edges blue when moving. Accompanied by whistling sound. Objt glowed orange when hovering changed to blue when moving. Initial observation 0.30° az 10° elev. objt moved to 210° Elev 5° during 90 min observation. Altitude reported 50-300'. Nokk visible adis.

11. COMMENTS

No known helos in area. Winds Winds wrong for ballons. Sounds like astronomical sighting but motion contrary to astro bodies. Witnesses reliability as observer doubtful. Previous reports fm same area of similar sighting. Witnesses had 1 1/2 hrs to obtain Bx or camera for picture but didn't do so. Case ~~xxxxxxxx~~ considered as insufficient data.

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AF IN : 47980 (17 Jan 61) DO/apc

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (21)

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FM COMDR 705ACWRON KINGSALMON ALASKA

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INFO RJKDAG/CINCAL ATTN:

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BT

UNCLAS FROM COMDR 705ACWRON 520. UFO A. DESCRIPTION:

1. CIRCULAR 2. 25 FT. DIAMETER. 3. ORANGE-CHANGING BLUE.

4. ONE 5. N/A 6. NONE 7. EDGES BLUE WHEN MOVING.

8. WHISTLING. 9. GLOWS ORANGE WHEN HOVERING, BRIGHTENS

WHITH BLUE RIM AND FLASHES WHEN MOVING. B. COURSE:

1. BISUAL SIGHTING. 2. AZIMUTH 030M, EL-5-10DEGREE 3. AZIMUTH

210DEGREE -EL-5DEGREE 4. HEADING S.E., ONCE BACK N.W. THE S.E. STOPPED

AT VARIOUS POINTS AND HOVERED. ALTITUDE 50-300 FT.

5. STEADILY TO SOUTH. 6. 90 MINUTES. C. OBERSERVATION:

1. GROUND-VISUAL. 2. NONE. 3. N/A. D. TIME/DATE:

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1. 10JAN/0745Z. 2. NIGHT. E. LOCATION: 1. ONE MILE NORTH OF NAKNEK, ALASKA. F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION: 1. [redacted] AND [redacted], P.O. [redacted] NAKNEK, ALASKA AGE 37, FISHERMAN, FAIR. 2. [redacted], P.O. [redacted] NAKNEK, ALASKA, AGE 28, FIUHERMAN, FAIR. G. WEATHER: 1. DARK AND CLEAR. 2. SFC - NORTH 6K, 6M - 100/45, 10M - 110/35, 16M - 090/50,20 - 080/35, 50M - 160/20. 3. HIGH THIN SCATTERED. 4. 15 PLUS, MILES. 5. ITEM 3. 6. NONE 7. STANDARD. H. NONE. I. NONE. J. NONE. K. INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, CAPT. JOHN R. PETKOSEK. POSSIBLE CAUSE OF SIGHTINGS UNKNOWN. NO REPORTED AIR TRAFFICE FROM FAA, ANCHORAGE, 705TH ACWRON, KING SALMON OR CONTROL TOWER, KING SALMON AFS., ALASKA. NO KNOWN HELICOPTERS TO ACCOUNT FOR HOVERING, WX BALLONE RELEASED AKN 0045Z, TP JAN 61, BUT WINDS ALOFT NOT COMPATIBLE. OBJECT REPORTED WITHIN 50 FT. OF OBSERVERANTS 200 FT ALT. INDISTINCT EXCEPT FOR GLOW. OBSERVERS REPORT HAVING SEEN SIMILAR OBJECTS IN PAST 5 YEARS WITH SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS INCLUDING EXCEEDINGLY HIGH SPEED AND MANEVERABILITY. IMORE OBSERVERS EAAAAAE AVAILABLE BUT RELIABILITIS DOUBTFUL. L. NONE.

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