

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 26 April 1961		2. LOCATION 04.20 N 111.03 E		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>Satellite</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>26/1140Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian Aircraft			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Very white object of low magnitude on westerly course observed for 17 min. Appearing at 170° az 15° elev and fading at 110° az 10° elev. Fading on clear bright night with full moon. No other appearance of satellite.				11. COMMENTS Considered satellite by observer. No attempt at verification. No conflicting data. Case not classified as satellite observation.	

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AF DIST: CIN-14, OOP-2, OOP=CP-1, SAFS-3 -21-

UPO

1. ONE STEADY WHITE OBJECT OF SECOND MAGNITUDE.

2. EASTERLY COURSE, SIGHTED BEARING 170 ELEVATION 15 DEGREES,
NOTICED TRAVELING TOWARD AND ACROSS SOUTHERN CONSTELLATION TO A
POSITION BEARING 110 ESTIMATED ELEVATION 30 DEGREES WHEN IT
SUDDENLY FADED AFTER BEING IN SIGHT FOR ABOUT 12 MINUTES.

3. OBSERVED SEA TO AIR, SIGHTED VISUALLY.

4. SIGHTED AT 261140Z, CLEAR BRIGHT NIGHT WITH THIRD MOON.

5. POSIT 04-20.5N 111-03.8E.

6. OBSERVED BY CO, OOD, JOOD, AND LOOKOUT.

7. WEATHER: CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED. TWO TENTHS
CLOUD COVERAGE.

8. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY.

9. NO KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC.

- 10. HAD ALL APPEARANCES OF SATELLITES WITNESSED IN PAST.

11. NO FURTHER EVIDENCE

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