PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 January 1955	2. LOCATION Kalispell, Montana	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
3. DATE-TIME GROUP (18 Jan 55) Local 1815 MST GMT 19/0115Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION momentary	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE Southwest, S

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Bright flash of light accompanied by a loud explosion. Oblong object observed moving at high speed.

11. COMMENTS

Probable meteor.

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SUBJECT		
UFOB		
PLACE & DATE OF ACQ.		FIELD EVAL.
Kalispell, Montana		Yds 1-3, Accpt A1C
DATE OF INFO.	DATE OF INFORMATION	VALIDATION
20 Jan 55	19 Jan 55	
REFERENCES (Optional)		SOURCE
AFOIN-3B, DOBOSL-200 1st Ind, USAF		See Comments
AFR 200-2		

EVALUATION (Use Code Letter and Number Only) (Complete Evaluation Appears in Comments)

I. COMMENTS

PART ONE: Report on telephone call to Dr. [redacted]

PART TWO: Account of sighting by [redacted]

PART THREE: Result of telephone conversation with Mr. John Doe, United States Weather Station, Kalispell, Montana.

PART FOUR: Excerpts from 000 Log (29th AD).

PART FIVE: Navigational Summary

II. SUMMARY: At 0115Z 19 Jan 55 (1815 MST 18 Jan 55) a brilliant flash of light accompanied by a loud explosion was heard by individuals in and around Kalispell, Montana (48°12'N 114°19'W). The information contained in this report was obtained by telephone calls to persons who either observed the disturbance or talked to persons who did.

III. INVESTIGATION: Part I: [redacted] DOBOSL, AO 330-16 2/6

[redacted]

JAMES P. DOBOSL
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Officer in Charge

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1. SOURCE: [redacted]

Occupation: Highschool Student

Location: Kalispell, Montana

[redacted] was in his back yard chopping wood at approximately 1415 hours on 18 Jan 1955. Suddenly a bright light appeared to the east that he could definitely see a house on the other side of a small lake on which he resides (distance approximately three quarters of a mile). Approximately five minutes after the flash of light a loud explosion was heard. Egan said that he can hear high when the explosion sounded.

1. SOURCE: [redacted]

Occupation: Unknown

Location: Kalispell, Montana

[redacted] was on duty as part of Operation Skywatch. At approximately 1415 hrs on 18 Jan 1955, she observed a bright flash of light from a point in the direction of Hyalite Mtns. Kemp saw an elliptical, oblong in shape (perhaps cigar-like) object at high speed towards the earth. An explosion followed some five minutes later the instant flash of light.

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PART ONE, Report #AB-1602-3
Statement of Dr. Edward B. Neuman

A telephone call to Dr. [redacted] CO president and head of the [redacted] emergency section of [redacted] produced the following statement. Dr. Neuman has not observed the aftermath and has been out of town himself since the occurrence of the night time explosion.

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PART [redacted]
Statement of Major [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] Air Force Officer, 29th AD (Rear), was selected to [redacted] Chief of Communications Division in the Headquarters Area of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief, Far East. There were no changes in the Headquarters Area for the [redacted]

[redacted]

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A telephone call was placed to Mr. [redacted], United States Weather Bureau Observer, Havre, Montana, (Area 5917). Mr. Hall did not observe the disappearance but did contact eyewitness reporters. The following paragraphs contain information obtained from these sources.

1. SOURCES: [redacted]

Occupation: Rancher

Location: Big Sandy, Montana

2. At approximately 1600 MST, on 18 Jan 1965 Mr. [redacted] was walking through his back yard when suddenly he saw a bright flash from overhead. The flash illuminated the ground and the entire area was a yellow color. Mr. Hogan saw a round shape object with a very small tail behind it. The movement was to the South at very high speed. Some time elapsed before the object was out of sight. Some time elapsed before he heard any sound. Then the sound was heard becoming explosions. However the sound did not come immediately after the flash but from 2 to 3 minutes afterwards.

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PART FOUR, Report #1-UR0B-1

The following excerpts are taken from the CCC (Combat Operation Center) 29th AD (Def), Great Falls AFB, Montana.

0125Z- A/c reported saw a large red flash explosion. Origin was in 4850 [illegible]. Explosion was 2 miles south and 1 mile west of his position. Bearing is Brlcm 73161. Time of explosion was 0115Z.

0130Z- Received more information on explosion from [redacted] at 0100Z. His telephone number is Ryan 3/3R1.

0340Z- Additional information on explosion from [redacted] Heard sound before the flash. There were two flashes and two explosions. The flashes were very high and moved westwardly. Major Kinney, Wing Controller, called Capt. Coley in reference to entry 0125Z. He requested call to 15th AF, MC with pass all new information on this to him.

0420Z- [redacted] said a group of people at Kalispell, Montana heard an explosion, saw a flash, heard a rumble. Estimated altitude of explosion to be 40,000 feet and 20 miles from Kalispell. This was between 1200 MST5 MST.

0525Z- Frosty (A/C W [illegible]) called re this information from Fairchild (Spokane) which originally received by ham radio transmission from Observer flight to Ione (Walla Walla, Wash.) one pilot observed flight leader saw a bright orange and blue flash in approximately the same position of other reports at approximately the same time.

0640Z- Backlog- 0140Z. Checked base Operations, Kearney Flight Service and Nebraska Highway Patrol at (CDE in regard to explosion. Nebraska CAP and Sheriff's office said Samsage (ACW) said reports Nebraska received a report on meteor approximately 100 miles south. Reported point of explosion approximately 20 minutes after explosion.

1220Z- Checked with Kearney flight service in regard to explosion at 0115Z. They report no a/c are down. CADE was notified of this.

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[illegible] P. BUBOSIC
2nd Lt, USAF

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Since there was no report of a distracted object and there was no evidence to be found in the area, it is the opinion of the investigating officers that this disturbance was created by a small animal or person entering the area to explore and exploding shell ejected from the [redacted].

[redacted]
Major, USAF
Officer in Charge

COMMENTS of Approving Officer:

The high speed, flight and configuration indicate the probability of a meteorite. No changes were known to be within the general vicinity. None incorporated in [redacted].

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10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Bright flash of light followed by explosion.

11. COMMENTS

The high speed, light and explosion indicate the probability of a meteorite. No a/c known to be in the area.

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