PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE
23 April 1955

2. LOCATION
Flathead Lake, Montana

3. DATE-TIME GROUP
Local
GMT 23/0915Z

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

5. PHOTOS
☐ Yes
☒ No

6. SOURCE
Civilian (Comm Pilots)

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION
five to seven secs

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS
one

9. COURSE
75° West to East

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING
One (1) white object, size of a head of pin held at arm's length, w/no other discernible features was observed by civilian pilot. Obj was seen to fly in a parallel course w/the a/c, flying approx east at 23,000 feet (Boeing Stratocruiser), but at a speed estimated at being five times that of jet a/c. Observer had seen many meteors, but did not believe that this sighting was astronomical.
No Report In File.

11. COMMENTS
Due to brevity of sighting, 5-7 seconds, & the improbability of further investigation producing significant results, no follow-up investigation authorized. Although the observer did not recognize the obj as astro, the description of this sighting, & the fact that observer did not view obj for any period of time led to opinion that sighting probably astro (Meteor).

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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