

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 July 1956		2. LOCATION Long Beach, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Mars ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 17/0740Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian		9. COURSE moving in circle then stationary	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 26 minutes & still in sight at rpt.		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one			
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One round object, the size of a pea held at arms length, white w/red flashes no wings or tail observed. Seen at an angle of elevation of 45 dgrs and azimuth of 90 dgrs.		11. COMMENTS Concur with the opinion of the reporting officer that this sighting was astronomical in nature. In all probability the object sighted was the planet Mars.			

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RJWPJB/COMDR 27 ADIV DEF NORTON AFB CALIF

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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UNCLAS 6690PS 067-Y PD UFOB.1. A. ROUND. B. PEA T ARMS LEGNTH. C. WHITE
WITH RED FLASHES. D. ONE. E. ,N/A. F. NO WING OR TAIL. G. NONE. H. NONE.

I. NONE. 2.A. NOT REPORTED. E. FORTY FIVE DEGREES, ZERO NINE ZERO.

C. NOT REPORTED. D. MOVING IN CIRCLE. E. NOT REPORTED. F. TWENTY SIX
MINUTES DURING REPORTING PERIOD AND STILL IN SIGHT AT LAST REPORT.

3. A. GROUND VISUAL. B. NONE. C. N/A 4. A. 17/0740 JULY 56. B. NIGHT.

5. BD5145. 6. MRS. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], LONG BEACH, CALIF

B. N/A. & A. CLEAR. B. CALM. :CALM. D. SEVEN MILES. E. NONE. F. NONE

8. THIS WAS THE CLEAREST NIGHT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAS HAD ALL THIS
YEAR, GIVING EXCEPTIONAL VISIBILITY POSSIBLE CONFUSED THE OBSERVER.

AFTER DISCUSSION WITH DIVISION CONTROLLER, I AM TAKING NO ACTION. AT
0826Z THE OBSERVER REPORTED OBJECT NO LONGER MOVING. I THINK IT IS A
PLANET. 12. NONE

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