

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Apr 58		2. LOCATION 33.50 N 130.45W Pacific		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 _____ GMT 27/0953Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 1/2 mins		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE West	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj of bright orange-red ball which fanned out similar to jet afterburner though was traveling straight & level in same direction as a/c. Became smaller and disappeared.				11. COMMENTS Description & characteristics are suggestive of a jet/a/c w/afterburner in operation.	



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SUBJECT: Air Intelligence Information Report

TO: Commander
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FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
IR-552-1-58, Air Intell
Info Rpt, 28 Apr 58 (Uncl)

[Signature]
Colonel, USAF
Director of Intelligence

*Two - weather
clouds show dark
no moon
broken clouds at two
levels: 3000 - 13,000 feet*

P-55. a/c

*ATIC Conclusion:
From the limited
data given - description
and characteristics of object
are suggestive of a jet a/c
with its afterburner in operation*

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COUNTRY OF ACTIVITY REPORTING USA		REPORT NO. IR-552-1-58	(Leave blank)	
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COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS Coast of California		DATE OF INFORMATION 27 April 58		
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT 552nd AEW&C Wing Intelligence		DATE OF COLLECTION 27 April 58	SRI STATUS (If applicable)	
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PREPARING INDIVIDUAL James J. Hayes, 1/Lt., USAF Intelligence Officer		DATE OF REPORT 28 April 58	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE	
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE William T. Mauser, 1/Lt., USAF Aircraft Commander		EVALUATION B-2	SRI NO. ACTIVE	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON (Date)				
REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)				
SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)				
Unidentified Flying Object				
SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)				
At 0953Z, 27 April 1958, three members of an AEW&C RC-121, spotted a bright orange-red object which passed in front of the aircraft. The object had not been picked up on the aircraft's radar and a check with the land-based ground site indicated no known aircraft flying in the area of the sighting. (Details, see Part II of this report.)				
COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER				
The sighting was made by three persons, who are familiar with the area of the incident and the nature of airborne traffic in that area. The pilot conceded that it may have been an afterburner but felt a report should be made since: 1. Visibility was good but no aircraft structure could be seen; 2. The object was not picked up by the radar of the RC-121; and 3. A check with the land-based ground site reported no known aircraft in the area of the sighting. On this basis further investigation by technically qualified personnel seems warranted.				
<i>How much more light might have been seen?</i> <i>James J. Hayes 1/Lt</i> JAMES J. HAYES 1/Lt., USAF Intelligence Officer				
INCLS				
COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:				
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Par 7d, ADCM 200-2:

- (1) (a) Pin, built up to about 1 1/2 by 3/4 inches. Similar to jet afterburner.
(b) Same as above (a)
(c) Orange-red
(d) One
(e) N/A
(f) Bright orange-red ball which fanned out similar to jet afterburner though no aircraft was seen or tracked on radar.
(g) See (f)
(h) None
(i) Described above
- (2) (a) Visual by pilot
(b) Angle 7 to 10 degrees below aircraft *← TO FRONT, rear, side? N/A*
(c) Same as (2) (b) above
(d) Straight and level in same direction as aircraft
(e) Object became smaller and disappeared
(f) 1 1/2 minutes
- (3) (a) Visual-airborne sighting, no radar or other electronic pick-up
(b) None
(c) RC-121, 9000', 320°, 175K, McClellan AFB, California
- (4) (a) 0953Z — 9 = 005-3
(b) Night
- (5) 03350N, 13045W *← WEST OF CAL. OVER PACIFIC*
- (6) (a) N/A
(b) (1) William T. Mauser, 1/Lt., 552nd AEW&C Wing, 964th Sqdn, Aircraft Commander, Reliable
(2) William Salren, 2/Lt., 552nd Wing, 964th Sqdn, Nav, Reliable
(3) Owin M. King, M/Sgt., 552nd Wing, 964th Sqdn, Inst Engineer, Reliable
- (7) (a) Broken cloud decks at 3000 and 14000', Strat o cu, Wind 295/17K
(b) N/A
(c) See (7) (a) above
(d) 25 miles, plus
(e) See (7) (a) above
(f) None
- (8) None
- (9) Checked with ground site
- (10) Track 345 degrees, 10000', 24 miles out, Outbound
- (11) James J. Hayes, 1/Lt., USAF, Intelligence Officer, 552nd AEW&C Wing.
See COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER.
- (12) Negative

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