PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 Apr 59	2. LOCATION Travis AFB, Calif.	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 07/0442Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	6. SOURCE Military	☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1 / 9. COURSE South	☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, saw only flame. White giving off sparks. Obj disintegrated into three pieces.		11. COMMENTS Obj is typical of a large meteor that has penetrated deeply into the earth's atmosphere.

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UFO Analysis Sheet

Location OAK CLIFF SECTION OF DALLAS, TEXAS

Date 5 APRIL '59 6 APRIL '59 Z

Hour (Z) 0020 - 0050 1852 LOCAL (SUNSET)

WX CLEAR

Description ROUND, SIZE OF A DIME, TURNED FROM SHINEY SILVER TO RED.

Direction of Motion NONE

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3) Phone: 69219 NO MOTION EVIDENT - REPORTED IN SIGHT FOR 30 MINUTES.

Astronomical Phenomena - Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc. POSSIBLY PLANET OR STAR, NO MOTION EVIDENT.

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A.

Natural Phenomena - Ball Lightning, etc. IN SIGHT 30 MINUTES, NO MOTION, VERY LOCAL

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. NO MOTION. - POSSIBLY BALLOON.

Other

Evaluation of Source Reliability PROBABLY GOOD.

Analysis and Conclusions: THE WITNESS PROBABLY SAW THE PLANET MARS. A VERY HIGH HAZE LAYER IS PROBABLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ILLUSION THAT THE OBJECT BRAKE UP, AND FOR ITS FADING. THE LONG PERIOD OF TIME THAT THE OBJECT WAS VISIBLE AND APPARENT ABSENCE OF MOTION SUPPORTS THIS CONCLUSION. MARS WAS AT A POSITION COINCIDENT WITH THAT REPORTED BY THE WITNESS. JJ2.

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FM COMDR 19Ø2ND AACSRON

TO COMMANDER, ADC, ENT AIRFORCE BASE, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

COMDR, ATIC, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB,, DAYTON OHIO

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE, HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25,D.C

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FO/DT/RY. PART ONE OF THREE PARS UNCLASSIFIED UFO. ATTN: ATTIAA-W2C

A. DISCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT

(1) ROUND(2) SAW ONLY FLAME

(3) OBJECT UNKNOWN-WHITE FLAME GIVING OFF WHITE APARKS

(4) ONE (5) ONE(6) NONE(7) TAIL 6-8 FEET LONG 3-5 FOOT IN DIAMETER

(8) NONE(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

(1) LOOKING FOR AN OVERDUE AIRCRAFT (2) 4ØØØ TO 5ØØØ FEET DESCENDING TO ANGLE OF 3Ø TO 45 DEGREES (3) APPROXIMATELY 1ØØØ FEET. (4) NNW TO SSE AS OBSERVED FROM TRAVIS AFB TOWER(5) INSTANTIOUSLY LIKE AN AFTERBURNER BEING TURNED OFF, DISINTRAGGATED INTO 3 PIECES

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TO CONDR, ATIC, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, DAYTON, OHIO

REF UR MSG AFCIN-4E44-692-CREF, DTG 091445Z, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS RESUBMITTED.

PART TWO OF THREE PARTS

(S) [illegible] SECONDS

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND VISUAL (2) NONE

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING: 7[illegible]442Z APRIL AT NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: TRAVIS AFB TOWER

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER

TSG JAMES LEDBETTER AF[illegible]427[illegible] TOWER OPERATOR TRAVIS AFB SSG CHARLES

[illegible]. EDWARDS AF16227977 WEATHER FORCASTER AND OBSERVER, TRAVIS AFB

G.

[illegible]TWS [illegible]25 36[illegible]5 35[illegible]2[illegible] 35[illegible]2[illegible] 33[illegible]4[illegible] 3[illegible]5[illegible] TOR[illegible] 3[illegible]Z (3) SUN-CIR

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FO/DT/RY. PART THREE OF THREE PARTS

(4) SUU-2Ø MILES MCC-15 MILES

(5) NONE NONE (6) NONE

H. NONE

I. NONE

J. 1A/C SHROT FINAL RUNWAY 21. ANOTHER 5 MILES OUT ON GCA FINAL

K. REPORTS SIMILAR TO THE ONE ABOVE CAME FROM THE TOWER OPERATOR AT STEAD AFB, MATHER AFB, AND RENO ANG BASE. IT IS MY OPINION THAT THE OBJECT SIGHTED WAS A METEOR. LORISL. DORRIS CAPTAIN, USAF CLEARANCE OFFICER HAMILTON AFB, FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER

L. NONE

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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REF MSG DTD 070711Z IN THREE PARTS. PARTS ONE AND THREE RECEIVED THIS CENTER. REQUEST PART TWO BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E4 V C Rethman DATE 10 Apr 59
Col Rethman

AFCIN-4E Gilbert DATE 4/13/59
Col Gilbert

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

DATE	TIME
9	0945
MONTH APR	YEAR 1959

WRITER

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TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature if required): Robert J. Friend
MAJ ROBERT J. FRIEND

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SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

RELEASER

SIGNATURE: L J Harrell

TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE:

LOUIS J. HARRELL
CAPTAIN, USAF
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DD FORM 1 MAY 55 173 REPLACES DD FORM 173, 1 OCT 49, WHICH WILL BE USED UNTIL EXHAUSTED

H. 1. NEWS ARTICLE QUOTED FROM THE DALLAS TIMES HERALD ON 7 APR 59

QUOTE: METEOR FALLS NEAR FRESCO (TITLE) FOFFETT FIELD, CALIFORNIA SKY LAST NIGHT (6 APR 59) AND APPARENTLY CRASHED INTO A MOUNTAIN PEAK ABOUT 75 MILES SOUTHEAST OF SAN FRANCISCO. OBSERVERS AT THE NAVAL AIR STATION HERE SAID THEY SPOTTED THE OBJECT AT 8:45 P.M. (PST), AND IT APPEARED TO BREAK INTO THREE PIECES. TWO PIECES APPARENTLY BURNED

OUT BUT THE THIRD PLUNGED TO THE GROUND IN THE PACHECO PASS AREA BETWEEN GILROY AND LOS BANOS. ENQUOTE

(COMMENT) THE TIMES DO NOT AGREE WITH THE TIME THE INCIDENT WAS REPORTED TO THIS STATION. EVERYTHING EXCEPT THIS AGREES WITH THE OBSERVERS STATEMENT.