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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 5 April, 1960	2. LOCATION: SE of Roswell, New Mexico	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 Local 1425 (est) GMT 06/0345Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE: Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 3 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: One	9. COURSE: Descending

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object 2-3 times bigger than Venus with a tail like a comet going straight down at a rate slower than a meteor observed for three seconds. Looked like an A/C on fire. Greenish white color. Did not manuver and caused radio interference.

11. COMMENTS

Sputnik III reentered this date, however the duration of the sighting and the greenish color do not conform to observation of a Satellite Decay and tend to rule out Reentry. It is probable that the object observed was a meteor.

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/CCI 174. FOR AFCIN HQ USAF, SAFIS SEC OF AIR FORCE, SUBJECT: UFO. A. DESCRIPTION: 1. ROUND WITH TAIL LIKE A COMET, 2. TWO TO THREE TIMES BIGGER THAN VENUS, 3. GREENISH WHITE, 4. ONE, 5. NONE, 6. APPEARED TO BE AIRCRAFT ON FIRE, 7. TAIL LIKE A COMET CONTINOUS, 8. NONE 9. APPEARED TO GO STRAIGHT DOWN AT A SLOWER RATE THAN A METEORITE AT APPROXIMATE THIRTY DEGREES ELEVATION. RADIO INTERFERENCE AT TIME OVER-RODE CAR RADIO. LOCAL RADIO STATION ACKNOWLEDGED, UPON INTERROGATION, RADIO INTERFERENCE FROM ANOTHER STATION AT APPROXIMATELY 2030MST. B. 1. LIGHT OF OBJECT. 2. THIRTY DEGREE ELEVATION, APPROXIMATELY ONE

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THIRTY FIVE DEGREE AZIMUTH. 3. TWENTY DEGREE ELEVATION, APPROXIMATELY ONE THIRTY FIVE DEGREE AZIMUTH. 4. SAME AS 9. 9 ABOVE, 5. MANEUVER. 6. OBSCURED BY TREES AT TWENTY DEGREE ELEVATION C. METH. OF OBSERVATION. 1. GROUND-VISUAL. 2. NONE 3. N/A D. TIME AND DATE. 1. 0345Z 8 APRIL 60 2. NIGHT. E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER.

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IMATELY ONE THIRTY FIVE DEGREE AZIMUTH. 4. SAME AS A. 9 ABOVE,
NO MANEUVER. 5. OBSCURED BY TREES AT TWENTY DEGREE ELEVATION C.
MANNER OF OBSERVATION. 1. GROUND-VISUAL. 2. NONE 3. N/A D. TIME
AND DATE. 1. 0345Z 6 APRIL 60 2. NIGHT. E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER.
A. 33231N 103291E, FOUR MILES SE ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO. F. IDENTIFY-
ING INFORMATION ON. 1. CIVILIAN, [redacted], FORTY, [redacted]
[redacted] ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, TV
REPAIRMAN, RELIABILITY-UNKNOWN. G. WEATHER. 1. CLEAR. 2. 290/05,
290/10, 280/15, 330/15, 350/25, 340/20, UNAVAILABLE. 3. CEILING
UNLIMITED. 4. VISIBILITY UNLIMITED. 5. CLEAR. 6. N/A. 7. 88
DEGREES. H. NONE. I. NONE. J. NONE. K. POSSIBLE RE-ENTRY OF
SPUTNIK III INTO EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE. LT. COL. K.F. KILNESS, ACTING
CHIEF INTELLIGENCE. OBSERVER DRIVING CAR SOUTH ON HIGHWAY SOUTH-
EAST OF ROSWELL. L. NONE.

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

TO:
WALKER AFB, N. M.

/UNCLAS/FROM: AFCIN-4B2 U-1126-E

ATTN 6TH BOMB WING. YOUR MSG DCOI 174, DTD 6 APR 60, HOW LONG WAS OBJ IN SIGHT?

DATE: 7 | TIME: 1435
MONTH: APR | YEAR: 1960

WRITER

SYMBOL: AFCIN-4B2

TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if required): Maj Robert J. Friend

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UNCLAS DCOI 9180. FOR AFCIN-4E2, 4-1126-E. SOURCE CONTACTED 1425MST, 11 APR 60. OBJECT ESTIMATED TO BE IN SIGHT APPROXMIATELY THREE SECONDS BEFORE BEING OBSCURED BY TREES

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20 April 1960

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Request your office determine if an artificial satellite was responsible for the attached reports.

RICHARD R. SHOOP
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4E2

2 Atch:
1. In Msg Cite DCOI 174 (C)
T60-12453 (cy #3)
2. In Msg Cite AD/DOC 04-456 (U)

COORDINATION:
Robert J. Friend Major AFCIN-4E2 20 Apr 60

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1. Reference 4A2 request of 20 April 1960 to 4A2 concerning UFO of 0345Z 6 April 1960. In the past, 4A3a has provided technical assistance to the ATIC UFO office in the form of ephemerides checks and estimates of the decay of satellite objects. In view of the present large space population however, such assistance would be excessively time consuming and, since it is not within the scope of 4A3a responsibilities, can no longer be provided.

2. It is suggested that information relative to UFO's which are of possible satellite origin be obtained from the NSSC (Space Track).

LEONARD T. GLASER
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4A3

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1 Atch
Memo, 20 Apr 60 (T60-12453-A) w/3 Atchs
#1, (C) Inc Msg (T60-12453, Cy 3),
#2, (U) Inc Msg Cite AD/DOC 04-456
#3, (U) Inc Msg Cite DCOI 9180

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