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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 31 May, 1960	**2. LOCATION** Manus Island, Admiralties	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft XX Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 31/2230Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** XX Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Given	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** One	**9. COURSE** Not Given

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Brilliant blinding light, followed by a series of heavy explosive sounds three to four minutes later. There was initially a small moving light gradually enlarging and growing until it flooded the sky.

11. COMMENTS

Information is very limited in nature however the description conforms to the pattern of a "bolide" type of meteor of unusual size.

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TYPE OF ACTION

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	COMMENTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS		INFORMATION ON WHICH TO BASE REPLY		ACS/I HAS/HAS NOT SEEN
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	INFORMATION AND/OR FILE		PREPARATION OF REPLY *(for signature of Deputy, ACS/Intelligence)*		FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT *(indicate name and extension)*
	COORDINATION		PREPARATION OF REPLY *(for signature of:)*		Capt Houk Ext 73524
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COMMENTS *(Use reverse and blank sheets if more space is required)* COMMENT # 1

Forwarded herewith for information is a UFOB sighting report originating in Australia. Under paragraph 14 b (2) of AFR 200-2, dtd 14 September 1959, the original copy was sent to AFCIN-2A4, Headquarters USAF.

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AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

14th July 1960

International Liaison Division,
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WASHINGTON, D.C.

Report of Unexplained Phenomena - Manus Island

It is understood that the USAF is interested in receiving reports for information pertaining to unidentified flying objects.

Enclosed herein is the text of a message from the District Commissioner of Lorengau, Manus Island to the Administrator of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea concerning phenomena recently observed by him and a considerable number of his staff and local inhabitants.

This report is forwarded for your information and retention and no comment is requested.

A.E. Mather
Wing Commander
RAAF Intelligence Representative

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"Phenomena observed entire Manus mainland approx 2320 hours thirtyfirst May stop Brilliant blinding light followed three to four minutes later by series heavy explosive sounds Stop Reports state small moving light initially gradually enlarging flooding whole sky."

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