NORTHWEST AIRLINES

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

**1. DATE**
24 Aug 60

**2. LOCATION**
Vicinity Sitka, Alaska

**3. DATE-TIME GROUP**
Local /
GMT 24/1145Z

**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION**
☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar
☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

**5. PHOTOS**
☐ Yes
☒ No

**6. SOURCE**
Civilian Pilot

**7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION**
1 1/2 to 2 sec

**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS**
one

**9. COURSE**
NE

**10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING**
Bright flash, yellowish, changing to green and then to red. Disappeared instantaneouslyto NE.

**11. COMMENTS**
Description is characteristic of a meteor.

**12. CONCLUSIONS**
☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronomical
☒ Probably Astronomical Meteor
☐ Possibly Astronomical
☐ Other
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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FOR AFCIN AND OSAF AT USAF, INFO FOR J-2, ALCOM. SUBJECT: UNID FLYING OBJ. A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT: (1) BRIGHT FLASH (2) NEG (3) YELLOWISH, CHANGING TO GREEN AND THEN TO RED (4) N/A (5) N/A (6) NEG (7) N/A (8) NEG (9) NEG. B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT (1) BRIGHT FLASH (2) DIRECTLY OVERHEAD OF A/C THAT SIGHTED FLASH. (3) 60DEGREES/7DEGREES-10DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON. (4) 60DEGREES COURSE, 200DEGREES FROM A/C-NO MANEUVER (5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO N.E. (6) 1 1/2 TO 2 SECONDS. C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION (1) AIR-VISUAL (2) N/A (3) DC-8, HDG 285DEGREES SEATTLE

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(HOME STATION) D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING (1) 1145Z/24 AUG 6Ø. (2) NIGHT E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER: FOUR (4) MIN OFF DOMESTIC SITKA-HEADING-285DEGREES MAGNETIC. F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVOR: (1) CAPTAIN ASHMAN (NORTHWEST AIRLINES PILOT) (2) N/A G. WEATHER AND WINDS (1) NEG (2) NEG (3) NEG (4)NEG (5) NEG (6) NEG (7) NEG H. NEG I. NEG J. NEG K. ARTHUR G. LOCKARD, CAPTAIN, USAF. THE FLASH WAS 2ØØDEGREES OFF THE PILOTS WEST WING AND DESCENDING AT AN ANGLE OF 6ØDEGREES. DUE TO ITS NATURE, IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THIS WAS A METEOR OR A METEORITE IN THE PROCESS OF DISINTEGRATING IN THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE. L. NEG.

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