MILITARY

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 6 Dec 60	2. LOCATION: 3530N 13130W, 350 mi W of Los Angeles, California	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
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0459 GMT 06/1359Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE: Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 6-8 sec	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: one	9. COURSE: SW

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Yellowish white object with short flaming tail. Aprox size of large pea held at arm's length. Described as being in level flight. Angle of elevation was aprox 20°. While flying on an aprox 360° heading the object passed more slowly than a normal shooting star from 10° position to 250° position in apparent level flight. During observation aprox 6 large pieces appeared to break off.

11. COMMENTS

Witness reports object was meteor-like. It is concluded that the witness saw a slow meteor and that because this was his first such experience he immediately discounted the meteor possibility.

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STAFF MESSAGE DIVISION
UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

AF IN : 11465 (6 Dec 60) Z/dfo INCOMING

ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : ARMY-30, NAVY-90, CMC-6, JCS-28, OSD-15, NSA-7, DIA-11, OOP-3, SAFS-3, OOP-OP-1 (209)

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TO RFEMVB/CANAIRDEF

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RBWPPG/COMMEST SEAFRON

RJWFALB/CINCNORAD

RJWZSB/COMDR 28TH ADV

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF

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/CIRVIS/ SITED LARGE YELLOW WHITE OBJECT AT LVL FLT ALTTITUDE MAG HEADAING 220 DEG AT 1359Z APPROX 6 LARGE PIECES SEPERATED AT VARIOUS INTERVALS

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NOTE : Advance copy delivered to CIN and OOP

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RJEZHQ/OSAF WASHINGTON D C

RJEDSQ/ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEDSQ/COSMATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEZBF/PROJECT SPACE TRACK L G HANSCON FIELD BEDFORD MASS

RJWZSD/2S AIR DIV HAMILTON AFB CALIF

RFEMVB/CANAIRDEF ST HUBERT MONT CANADA

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UNCLAS 520IC 1990. CIRVIS POST LANDING REPORT. ATTN: MOON DUST.
FOR OSAF ATTN: SAFIS, FOR COFS ATTN: AFCIN-1B1, FOR COSMATIC
ATTN: AFCIN-4A. AIRCRAFT ETHAN 40 AT THE DISCRETION OF THE
AIRCRAFT COMMANDER SENT A CIRVIS REPORT CONCERNING A MOON DUST
SIGHTING. OBJECT SIGHTED WAS A METEOR TYPE OBJECT HEADED
APPROXIMATELY 220 DEGREES MAGNETIC HEADING AT 061355Z. AIRCRAFT
LOCATION WAS 35:30 N BY 131:30 W AT TIME OF SIGHTING. OBJECT
WAS IN SIGHT FOR 6 TO 8 SECONDS, THE AIRCRAFT COMMANDER STATED
THAT HE ACCURATELY TIMED THE PERIOD OF OBSERVATION. OBJECT
WAS YELLOWISH WHITE AND HAD A SHORT FLAMING TAIL. IT WAS

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ESTIMATED TO BE APPROXIMATELY THE SIZE OF A LARGE PEA HELD AT ARMS LENGTH. OBJECT WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING IN LEVEL FLIGHT. ANGLE OF ELEVATION WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 DEGREES. THE OBSERVER REPORTED THAT WHILE FLYING ON AN APPROXIMATE 350 DEGREE HEADING THE OBJECT PASSED MORE SLOWLY THAN THE NORMAL SHOOTING STAR FROM THE 10 DEGREE POSITION TO THE 250 DEGREE POSITION IN APPARENT LEVEL FLIGHT. DURING THE OBSERVATION APPROXIMATELY SIX LARGE PIECES APPEARED TO BREAK OFF OF THE OBJECT. WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE CLEAR. AIRCRAFT WAS ON TOP OF 4000 FOOT LAYER OF SCATTERED CLOUDS. THE OBSERVER WAS CAPT. JOHN F. DUPRIEST, 965TH AEW&C SQ, AIRCRAFT COMMANDER. DUE TO THE NUMEROUS SHOOTING STAR SIGHTINGS, OBSERVERS JUDGMENT IS RATED AS RELIABLE.

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