PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 23 Feb 61	2. LOCATION Misawa AB, Japan	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical VENUS ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other_____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local_____ GMT 1026Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 58 min.	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE N

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Bright light, aprox ten times as bright as star Sirius which was visible at time. Much larger than a star. Intensity varied considerably. Movement appeared to be N at a slow angular velocity. Color range was from pinkish white to reddish white.

11. COMMENTS Objt was probably planet Venus. Venus was at its brightest, -4.3, at this time and its direction was coincident with that reported for UFO at time of sighting. Atmospheric refraction probably contributed to sighting by distorting, coloring and giving apparent motion to planet. Fact that objt disappeared at time planet set sub stantiates this conclusion.

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FM DET 13 1ST WEA WG MISAWA AB JAPAN

TO RJEZHQ/HQ USAF WASH DC

RJEDSQ/WPAFB OHIO

INFO RJEDAA/AWS SCOTT AFB ILL

BT

[redacted] ONE WW RPT WW ONE THREE ZERO ZERO

ZERO ONE DASH BRAVO PD HQ USAF ATTN CLN AFCIN RPT AFCIN DASH

ONE BRAVO ONE PD WPAFB ATTN CLN AFCIN RPT AFCIN DASH FOUR ALPHA

PD INFO AWS ATTN CLN AWSS RPT AWSS PD REFERENCE MOON DUST

ALERT CMM THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED AS A POSSIBLE SIGHTING

CLN AT APPROXIMATELY ONE ZERO TWO SIX GCT RPT GCT TWO THREE

FEB CURR CMM A BRIGHT LIGHT WAS OBSERVED IN THE SKY WEST

OF MISAWA AB CMM JAPAN PD WHEN ORIGINALLY SIGHTED IT WAS

OBSERVED IT WAS AT AN ELEVATION ANGLE OF TWENTY TO THIRTY

DEG ABOVE THE HORIZON AND AT AN AZIMUTH ANGLE OF APPROXIMATELY

IN SIGHT 1026 – 1124 1 HR

Classification Cancelled
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TWO EIGHT ZERO DEG FROM THIS BASE PD IT DISAPPEARED FROM SIGHT

AT ONE ONE TWO FOUR GCT AT AN APPROXIMATE AZIMUTH ANGLE OF [redacted]

TWO EIGHT EIGHT DEG FROM THIS BASE PD THE ELEVATION ANGLE [redacted]

NOT APPEAR TO CHANGE THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD OF THE SIGHTING PD AN AIR FORCE NAVIGATOR WHO WAS THIS PHENOMENA STATES THAT IT WAS APPROXIMATELY TEN TIMES AS BRIGHT AS THE STAR QTE SIRIUS QTE WHICH WAS VISIBLE APETHE TIME PD HE ALSO STATES THAT HE HELD A COMB AT ARMS LENGTH AND THE LIGHT WAS VISIBLE SIMULTANEOUSLY THROUGH FOUR OF THE SPACES BETWEEN THE TEETH OF THE COMB PD SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS SAW THIS PHENOMENA AND ALL INDICATE THAT IT WAS MUCH LARGER THAN A STAR AND THAT THE INTENSITY VARIED CONSIDERABLY PD MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE NORTHWARD AT A SLOW ANGULAR VELOCITY PD THE COLOR RANGE OF THE LIGHT AS REPORTED BY THE VARIOUS WITNESSES RANGED FROM PINKISH WHITE TO A REDDISH WHITE PD WEATHER CONDITIONS AT THE TINE WERE AS FOLLOWS CLN ONE ZERO ONE FIVE GCT CLN DASH XRAY TEN SCTD MIKE NINETEEN BRKN THIRTY OVC TWO SW DASH SMCLN ONE ZERO TWO SEVEN GCT CLN TEN SCTD MIKE TWENTY FIVE BRKN FIVE SIERRA WHISKEY DASH SMCLN ONE ZERO THREE THREE GCT CLN TEN SCTD TWENTY FIVE SCTD FIVE SIERRA WHISKEY DASH SNCLN ONE ZERO FOUR ONE GCT CLN TEN SCTD

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