

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 Mar 61	2. LOCATION 4127N 0522W (MED. SEA)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical <i>METEOR</i> ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1930 GMT 161830Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 min (trail)	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE Descending	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Larger meteor-type objt. Left smoke trail for aprox 3 min. Higher part of smoke trail, dark in color, drifted rapidly. Lower part of trail, light grey in color, drifted slowly. Objt burned brightly upon entering atmosphere.			11. COMMENTS Although duration was not reported for main objt, characteristics are those of a meteor. Objt was seen in SW which would account for trail being dark in color, as that part of sky was still slightly light at this time.

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AF IN : 49109 (16 Mar 61) F/cgd
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ACTION: CIN-14

INFO : ARMY-30, NAVY-90, CMC-8, JCS-35, OSD-15, NSA-7, CIA-11,
OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (217)

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FM A24304/AWYS TORREJON AB SP

TO RJFPBW/HQ USAFE LINDSEY AIR STN GERMANY

RJDLUS/RD AF SO RUISLIP NG

RJFXBN/16AF TORREJON AB SP

RJFPSD/17AF RAMSTEIN AIR BASE GERMANY

RJDXGW/7AD HIGH WYCOMBE AIR STN ENG

RJWFAL/COMMANDER ADC ENT AFB USA

RJEZHQ/CHIEF OF STAFF UNITED STATES AF WASHINGTON

RBDLL/CINCUSNAVEUR LONDON ENG

RUFPAE/CINCUSAREUR HEIDELBRG GER

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CIRVIS RPT A24304 SIGHTED LARGE METEOR-TYPE OBJECT. DESCENDING

OBJECT LEFT SMOKE TRAIL FOR APPROX 3 MINS. HIGHER PART OF SMOKE TRAIL,
DARK IN COLOR, DRIFTED RAPIDLY. LOWER PART OF TRAIL, LIGHT GREY IN COLOR,
DRIFTED SLOWLY, OBJECT BURNED BRIGHTLY UPON ENTERING ATMOSPHERE. OBJECT
WAS HIGH AND SOUTH WEST OF OUR AC. OUR POSITION 4127N 0522W AT 1337Z.
TYPE AC C-47

BT NOTE: Advance copy del to OOP-CP (162143Z Mar 61).