

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 Apr 61		2. LOCATION Reno Nevada		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2335 GMT 03/0735Z Apr 61		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 Minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE N-S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object shape of bright star with yellow tint observed directly overhead moving N to S. No discernable features. No sound. Movement S included stop for 7-8 seconds in irregular pattern. Faded from view and disappeared 20 deg above horizon.				11. COMMENTS Manuevers are typical of helo. It is possible that the State Patrol could have been patrolling the highway in a helicopter, or a light plane from one of the local ranches may have been in the area. Flights of this nature are very difficult to check. Wind velocity at altitude prevented witnesses from hearing any sound. All indications point to an aircraft of some sort. No information available to indicate what this aircraft was or if other aircraft.	

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FOR USAR ARVN, USAR SAFIS. UFO. DESCRIPTION, LARGE AND SITE OF
A BRIGHT GLOBE WITH YELLOW TINT WITH NO DISCERNIBLE FEATURES AND NO
SOUND. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT. OBJECT NOTICED DIRECTLY
OVERHEAD, DROVE FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. DISAPPEARED 20 DEGREES FROM
HORIZON, DROVE SOUTH THEN STOPPED, THEN CONTINUED MOVEMENT
SOUTH AND CHANGED COURSE. VISIBLE APPROXIMATELY FIVE MINUTES.
OBSERVERS, A MAN AND WOMAN IN A PARKED CONVERTIBLE WITH TOP DOWN
AT 2735Z, 10 AIR ST AT RENO, NEVADA, NIGHT TIME WEATHER, CLEAR,
15 MILES PER HOUR. OBSERVER WAS MR. [REDACTED], AGE 27

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GENERAL MANAGER. [REDACTED] RADIO STATION, RENO, NEVADA, TELEPHONE,
[REDACTED] OBSERVER THOUGHT IT WAS A SATELLITE UNITL IT
STOPPED. OBJECT WAS AT A GREAT HEIGHT. OBSERVER REPORTED
SIGHTING OF UFO AT LAS VEGAS IN 1960. RENO AIR DEFENSE SECTOR
CONTACTED FOR IDENTIFICATION. NO CONTACT MADE BY RADAR.

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM				SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	
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TO: ATIC W 2 AFB					UNCLAS
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UNCLAS/AFCIN-4E 4-1465					SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
3635TH FLY TNG WG/YOUR MSG 0 18 D DTD 3 APR 61. HOW LONG DID IT TAKE THE OBJ TO MOVE FROM OVERHEAD TO WHERE IT STOPPED, AND WHAT WAS THE ELEVATION WHEN IT STOPPED? HOW LONG DID THE OBJ REMAIN STATIONARY? REQ THE COMPLETE SURFACE AND UPPER AIR WEATHER DATA, INCLUDING THE VERTICAL TEMPERATURE GRADIENT, BE INCLUDED IN YOUR FOLLOW UP RPT.					
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FOR ATIC (AFCIN-WE). REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE AFCIN-WE
4-1405 DTD 6 APRIL 61. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS
SUBMITTED: UFO OBJECT MOVED FROM NORTH TO SOUTH.
STARTING FROM DIRECTLY OVERHEAD TO A POSITION 22-25
DEGREES FROM OVERHEAD. TIME APPROX 5 MINUTES.
OBJECT STOPPED AND REMAINED STATIONARY FOR APPROX
7 - 8 MINUTES. IRREGULAR COURSE FOR APPROX 1 MINUTE
THEN FADED OUT. WEATHER CLEAR, VISIBILITY 15 PLUS
MILES. TEMPERATURE 12 DEGREES CENTIGRADE, DEW

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POINT ONE DEGREE CENTIGRADE, WIND 360/5. VERTICAL
TEMPERATURE GRADIENT:

MB	WIND	TEMPERATURE DEGREES CENTIGRADE	DEW POINT DEGREES CENTIGRADE
850	020/12	PLUS 5	MINUS 5
700	290/16	2	MINUS 7
500	290/45	MINUS 15	MINUS 27
400	280/58	MINUS 27	MINUS 34
300	280/45	MINUS 43	
250	280/42	MINUS 52	
200	280/40	MINUS 55	
150	250/30	MINUS 57	
100	260/15	MINUS 64	

WIND VELOCITY ABOVE 400 MB ESTIMATED FROM AVAILABLE
DATA.

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