

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 Apr 61		2. LOCATION Yokota Japan, 3410N 13706E		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 09/1007Z Apr 61		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical Meteor ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military		☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4-5 Sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE Descending	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Flash of light. Brilliant white while descending turning to amber red at disappearance. No tail until sparks formed a short trail. Appeared to be falling vertically.				11. COMMENTS Object has all characteristics of a balloon meteor.	

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE 41ST FIGHTER

INTERCEPTION SQUAD. THIS REPORT IS IN THE FORMAT OUTLINED IN

AIR 4100-1. A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: 1. BRILLIANT ROUND FLASH

OR LIGHT. 2. OBJECT APPEARED ABOUT THE SIZE OF AN ORANGE FROM A

LONG DISTANCE VIEW. 3. BRILLIANT WHITE RECENTING ALMOST VERTICAL

FACING TO AN AMBER RED OBJECT THEN DI APPEARED. 4. ONE OBJECT. 5.

NO. 6. NO DETAIL. OBJECT OBJECT WAS A ROUND BRILLIANT WHITE. 7.

NO TAIL APPEARED UNTIL 30000 FEET A WHITE RED TAIL ABOUT ONE

FIFTH OF THE SIZE OF THE TOTAL OBJECT. 8. NO SOUND. 9. THE

REFERENCES

