

MILITARY

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 Jan 62	2. LOCATION 4S 85W (ESE Pacific)	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☒ Probably Astronomical Meteor ☐ Possibly Astronomical
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local Not given GMT	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not given	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE descending
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object observed from a ship located at 4S 85W. The object was sighted 50° above the SW horizon. Object was burning brightly and burned out before reaching horizon.		11. COMMENTS There is very little data contained in this report, but the object was not a satellite and there is no reason to doubt that it was a meteor.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE
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FM COMWESTSEAFRON

INFO RJWZSB/28AIRDIV HAMILTON

RJWFALB/CINC NORAD

RJEZHQ/COFS USAF WASHDC

RBHPB/CINCPACFLT

RBEPWXCNO

RBEPW/SECNAV

RBWDZM/COMFIRSTFLT

RBWDKE/COMPACMISRAN

NAVY

O 100040Z

FM SS MORMACISLE/KPWJ

TO COMWESTSEAFRON

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UNCLAS

PONS 4 SOUTH 85 WEST STOP OBSERVED DUE SOUTHWEST 50 DEGREES ABOVE
HORIZON STRAIGHT DOWN INCADESCENT OBJECT PROBABLY METEORITE
VERY LARGE BURNED UP BEFORE HORIZON WEATHER PARTLY CLOUDY CALM
/UNSIGNED/

BT NOTE: Advance copy delivered to CIN (092235L)

U F O ANALYSIS SHEET

DATE 9 Jan 1962

LOCATION 48 85 W ^{ESG} Pacific

DATE TIME GROUP LOCAL —

GMT —

PHOTO YES — NO ☒

PHYSICAL SPECIMEN YES — NO ☒

SOURCE MILITARY ☒ CIVILIAN —

TYPE OF OBSERVATION VISUAL

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION —

NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1 COURSE ?

SATELLITE: — IN ORBIT: — VERIFY YES: — NO: ☒ DECAY: —

ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA —

METEOR POSSIBLY METEOR

STAR OR PLANET —

OTHER —

AIRCRAFT —

BALLOON —

INSUFFICIENT DATA —

OTHER —

REFLECTION — INVERSION PRESENT — PHOTO ANALYSIS —

SUN DOG — LENTICULAR CLOUD — PHYSICAL SPECIMEN ANALYSIS —

BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING:

OBJECT OBSERVED FROM A SHIP
LOCATED AT 48 85 W. THE OBJECT WAS
SIGHTED 50° ABOVE THE SOUTHWEST HORIZON
GOING STRAIGHT DOWN. OBJECT WAS BURNING
BRIGHTLY AND BURNED OUT BEFORE REACHING
HORIZON.

EVALUATION: CASE CATEGORY: PROBABLY METEOR

CONCLUSION: THERE IS VERY LITTLE DATA CONTAINED
IN THIS REPORT, BUT THE OBJECT WAS NOT
A SATELLITE AND THERE IS NO REASON TO
DOUBT THAT IT WAS A METEOR.