PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 September 1962	2. LOCATION Wake Island	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Satellite Decay ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 18/1055Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Military (Tower Personnel) & Civilian Airlines	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not reported	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one breaking up	9. COURSE NNE

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Falling object sighted in one piece breaking up. Extremely bright. Ground observation of same phomena of incandescent objects numerous, closely grouped of various sizes falling at an acute angle apparently entering atmosphere fm SSW.

11. COMMENTS

Probable decay of space debris.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

AF IN : 4768 (18 Sep 62) N/bms

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH
UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

ACTION: CIN-17

INCOMING

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3, DIA-10, DIA(CIIC)-3 (37)

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FM 326 AIR DIV KUNIA FACILITY HAWAII

TO RUHLKM/PACAF HICKAM AFB HAWAII

RUKAC/COMALSEAFRON KODIAK ALASKA

RUWSPG/COMWESTSEAFRON SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

RUHPQ/COMHAWSEAFRON PEARL HARBOR HAWAII

INFO RUEAHQ/COFS USAF WASHINGTON DC

RUWGALB/CINCNORAD ENT AFB COLO

RUHPA/CINCPAC CAMP H M SMITH HAWAII

RUHAFS/CINCUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HAWAII

RUHPB/CINCPWCFLT PEARL HARBOR HAWAII

RUAUAZ/COMUSJAPAF FUCHU AS JAPAN

RUCDSQ/ARDC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUAMCR/COMUSKOREA SEOUL KOREA

RUAGFL/COMUSTDC TAIPEI TAIWAF

RUHPD/COMASWFORPAC FORD ISLAFD HAWAII

RUCSBR/CINCSAC OFFUTT AFB NEBR

RUECW/CNO WASHINGTON DC

RUECW/SECNAV WASHINGTON DC

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BT

UNCLAS/SLICK 602, POSITION APPROXIMATELY 1925N 16130E REPORTS SIGHTIMG FALLING OBJZCT AT ABOUT 181055Z LEARIMG 080 MAGNETIC FROM HIS POSITION. PILOT REPORTS OBJECT FIRST SIGHTED IN ONE PIECE THEN BROKE UP. AIRCRAFT ALTITUDE 19 THOUSAND. REPORT OBJECT EXTGEMELY BRIGHT.

WAKE TOWER CONTROLLER SIGHTED FALLING INCADESECENTHOBJECTS AT 181055Z ON BEARING 310 DEGREES FROM WAKE ISLAND.HNUMEROURS CLOSELY GROUPED OBJECT OF VARIOUS SIZES OBYERVED FALLING AT ACUTE ANGLZ. APPARENTLY ENTERED ATOMOSPHERE FROM SSW.

NO INTELLIGENCE EVALUATION.

BT8/1310Z SEP RUHLKH

NOTE: ADV CY TO DIA & OOP-CP.