

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 March 1963		2. LOCATION Pacific Hawaiian Islands & area		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Atlas Missile ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1940 GMT 12/0540Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian & Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-6 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object glowing like a giant comet or spotlight in flight from East to West observed by ANG pilots and thousands in Hawaiian Islands. Also observed from F-102 at 40,000ft. Object in sight for 5-6 minutes. Left vapor trail. Observed by WX observer. Trail lighter than that from jet.				11. COMMENTS Missile launched from Vandenberg confirmed by contact with Range Officer in telephone conversation.	

MYSTERIOUS FLYING OBJECT ZOOMS OVER HAWAIIAN ISLES

HONOLULU, Mar. 12 — (UPI) — An unidentified flying object, traveling west at a very high altitude and a high rate of speed, was sighted by hundreds of persons in the Hawaiian islands last night.

Two Hawaii Air National Guard pilots said they saw the object north of the island of Kauai during a routine training mission in jet fighters at an altitude of 40,000 feet. Honolulu

newspapers and radio stations were flooded with calls.

Capt. Jon Parish said he thought the object was possibly a rocket or some sort of space object flying a predetermined course. Lt. George Joy said he thought it was the Milky Way at first, but then noticed that it left a visible vapor trail.

HAWAII-March 11, 1963....The sighting of a fast-moving UFO which baffled jet-pilots, FAA control-tower operators, and thousands of residents, still has not been explained.

The pilots of National Guard jets were flying at 40,000ft. Capt Parish: "It was possibly a rocket or some sort of space object." Lt Joy reported seeing a vapor trail lighter than a jet's. "It was no aircraft," said the FAA spokesman, "and I know no one who knows what it was."

HAWAII-Mar 11, 1963..Hundreds of Hawaiians saw a UFO flying at high altitude and high speed going west. Two National Guard pilots, on a training mission, spotted the object while flying at 40,000'. Witnesses said the object appeared to be a bright crescent shape. The radio report did not specify whether the UFO or the Nat'l Guard aircraft were at 40,000'. These reports came to us from Editor Jun-ichi-Takanashi of M.S.F.A.-Japan Int'l UFO Organization..

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The Honolulu Star-Bulletin in its issue of March 12 carried the following report: "A mystery light seen moving across the sky north and west of Oahu last night might have been a rocket fired from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. // March

"The Air Force announced the firing of an Atlas inter-continental ballistic missile at a target. The brief announcement didn't specify the target and a spokesman would not say when it was fired.

"A Hawaii Air National Guard pilot, flying at 40,000 feet, said he thought it was a spacecraft or rocket flying a predetermined course. Military spokesmen here were mum.

"The commanding officer of the Pacific Missile Test Facility at Kaneohe had a succinct 'no comment' this morning. Accounts of spectators were reminiscent of old flying saucer sightings.

"The Vandenberg firing was described yesterday as a routine training launch.

"Air Guard pilot Captain Jon Parish, flying a F-102, said the light was moving west between 7:40 and 7:45. The Pacific Missile Range 'Shooting Gallery' runs north of the island from California to downrange impact areas as far away as Alaska. A P.M.R. duty officer said last night 'I don't know' when asked what the light was.

"A Pacific Air Force spokesman at Hickam Air Force Base said 'We don't know what it was.' Parish and Lieutenant George Joy said they were flying south-west when they saw the 'light spot' with a vapour trail. Joy said the object was moving at a very high altitude, at high speed and due west. They could see it for a minute and a half.

"The vapour trail, lighter than that usually made by a jet, disappeared over Kauai and beyond the horizon, Joy said. A U.S. Weather Bureau observer saw a 'yellowish light' like an inverted pear about 60 degrees above the horizon. William Garrett, watching from Waikiki, said it looked red to him. He likened it to an automobile headlight. He said he watched it for up to 20 minutes. (Credit to Miss O. M. Beaton.)

Crescent Over Hawaii

On the night of March 11, 1963, a crescent moon-shaped object passed over the area north of the Island of Kauai in the Hawaiian Islands. It was traveling toward the west, at a very high altitude and a high rate of speed. The UFO was very bright and some observers said it appeared to be on fire and appeared to fall into the sea.

Two Hawaii Air National Guard pilots, while flying at 40,000 feet, saw the object. Capt. Jon Parish said he felt the object was some type of rocket or space object flying a pre-determined course. The second pilot, Lt. George Joy commented that the UFO left a visible vapor trail. Hundreds of other people saw the object and military officials would provide no explanation.
