PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 11 December 1957	Continental Divide				
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7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-5 seconds	e. NUMBER OF OBJECTS up to 2 doz	9. COURSE southerly	Other		
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UNCLAS 769TH COMDR 652 PD SUBJECT: UFOB. (1) DESCRIPTION OF OBJECTS.

(A) OBLONG. (B) PENCIL ERASER HELD AT ARMSLENGTH. (C) CIGARETTE ASH.

(D) UP TO TWO DOZEN. (E) NO FORMATION. (F) SHARPLY DEFINED LEADING EDGE. NO RADIATING LIGHT FROM EDGES. (G) TAIL APPROXIMATELY TWICE THE LENGTH OF OBJECT. (H) ONE OBSERVER REPORTS SOUND LINE RUSHING WING IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO TWO SIGHTINGS. NO SOUND WHEN OBJECT VISIBLE. (1) NONE. (2) DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECTS. (A) SENTRY DOG HANDLER REPORTS FIRST OBJECT APPEARED TO BE FALLING STAR BUT THEN IT REVERSED COURSE AND PROCEDED IN LEVEL FLIGHT.

(B) 45 DEGREE ANGLE OF ELEVATION, 120 DEGREE AZIMUTH (C) 10 DEGREE

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ANGLE OF ELEVATION, 270 DEGREE AZIMUTH. NOTE. (B) & (C) ABOVE REFER TO FIRST SIGHTING. LATER REPORTS INDICATE LARGE NUMBERS OF OBJECTS DRIGINATING IN NORTH AND NORTH WEST OF AGENERALLY SOUTHERLY COURSE. THEY APPEARED APPROXIMATELY 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON AND DISAPPEARED WHEN OVERHEAD OF SLIGHTLY BEOFRE. (D) STRAIGHT LEVEL FLIGHT WITH ONE EXCEPTION AS IN (A) ABOVE. (E) WITNESS STATE OBJECTS DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY LIKE A LIGHT BEING SWITCHED OFF. (F) FROM 3 TO 5 SECONDS (ESTIMATED) (3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION. (A) GROUND VISUAL. (B) NONE. (C) NA/A. (4) TIME AND DATE OF SIGNTING. (A) 12/0213Z TO 12/0625Z. (B) NIGHT. (5) 35 DEGREES 22 MINUTES NORTH 108 DEGREES 20 MINUTES WEST. (6) OBSERVERS ALL MILITARY ASSIGNED TO 769TH ACAW SQUADRON, CONTINENTAL DIVIDE AFS, N MEX. CAPTAIN AMIDON, JOHN W. DIRECTOR, EXC. 2ND LT BURRIS, JOHN H. DIRECTOR, EXC. S/SGT BRYANT, WESLEY W., RADAR OPERATOR, EXC. A/1C RINGNELL, VINCENTL, RADAR OPERATOR, EXC. A/2C JAMES R BENTON, RADAR OPERATOR, EXC. A/3C MILES, HENNEN W. GOOD. RADAR OPR A/2C MAXWELL, HAROLD E. RADAR OPR EXC. A/2C GAUTREAU, CALVIN L., RADAR OPR EXC. A/2C VEYLUPEK, GEORGE H. SENTRY DOG HANDLER DOTTEL, S/SGT KEIMAN, KERMIT, RADAR OPERATOR, EXC. (7) WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT AT TIME OF SIGHTINGS. (A) CLEAR VISIBILITY UNLIMITED (B) SURFACE -CALM, 6,000 FEET N/A. 10,000 FEET 330 DEGREES 15 KNOTS

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16,000 FEET 340 DEGREES 20 KNOTS. 20,000 FEET 320 DEGREES 25 KNOTS 30,000 FEET 330 DEGREES 30 KNOTS 50,000 FEET 310 DEGREES 40 KNOTS 80,000 FEET N/A. (C) NONE (CLEAR) (D) UNRESTRICTED.E) NONE (F) NONE. (8) NO KNOWLEDGE OF UNUSUAL METEORLOGICAL OR ASTRONIMICAL CONDITIONS WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING (9) NO INTERCEPT ACTION TAKEN (10) TRAFFIC LIGHT AND LOCATED ON AIRWAY GREEN FOUR. TWO F86LS AND ON T-33 MAKING PRACTICE INTERCEPTS IN IMMEDIATE AREA. (11) THIS REPORT PREPARED BY COMMANDER AND OPERATIONS OFFICER. THERE IS NO POSITIVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE CAUSE OF THESE SIGHTINGS. OBSERVERS WILL NOT DEFINITELY IDENTIFY OBJECTS AS METEORS AND WILL NOT POSITIVELY DISCOUNT SUCH AN EXPLANATION. IT IS OBVIOUS HOWEVER, THAT THEY DO NOT BELIEVE THIS EXPLANATION. STATEMENTS ARE ALL CONSISTANT WITH EXCEPTION OF THAT OF AMN VEYLUPEK. HIS STORY IS AT VARIANCE ON SEVERAL POINTS. ALL AGREE, HOWEVER THAT THERE WAS A LARGE NUMBER OF OBJECTS, AND THAT THEY DEFINITELY HAD NEVER SEEN ANYTHING TO COMPARE WITH THEM. THE FACT THAT EACH OBJECT WAS IN LEVEL FLIGHT AND WAS VISIBLE FOR THREE TO FIVE SECONDS IS A MATTER OF CONSISTANT TESTIMONY. THE COMPLETELY REFUTE THE POSSIBILITY OF MIS-IDENTIFYING AIRCRAFT AS UFOB'S (12) NEGATIVE.

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REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE CITE AFCIN 4E4 12-1967-E, DATED 13/1430Z.

FOLLOWING INFORMATIONGATHERED FROM TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH

OPERATIONS OFFICER 769TH ACWRON. ONLY ONE OBJECT WAS SEEN AT ANY

ONE TIME. OBJECTS MOVED GENERALLY NORTH TO SOUTH. OBJECTS APPEARED

TO BE STREAKS OF LIGHT AND FLEW ON A SEEMINGLY LEVEL FLIGHT PATH.

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THOUGHT THEY WERE METEORS BUT REPORTED THE SIGHTINGS BECAUSE OF THE

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