PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	12. LOCATION		12. CONCLUSIONS
8 May 52	Hisawa AB, Japan		□ Was Balloon □ Probably Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2200 GMT 08//3002 5. PHOTOS D Yes E No	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual XX Air-Visual 6. SOURCE AF pilot & rad	D'Air-Intercept Rodar	Possibly Balloon Was Aircraft Probably Aircraft Possibly Aircraft Probably Astronomical Probably Astronomical Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-5 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE W to E	Other Insufficient Data for Evaluation Unknown
Varied color. Ball shape	. Disintegrated.	11. COMMENTS	

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SUBJECT

Report of Unidentified Object

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FROM (Agency)

Misawa Air Base, Honshu, Japan

JAMES O. SHEALY, Intelligence Officer

116th F-B Wing Intelligence

8 May 1952

EVALUATION

15 May 1952 PREPARED BY (Officer)

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REFERENCES (Control number, directire, prestous report, etc., as applicable)

None SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph

Unidentified Object was sighted by:

339th Fighter Interceptor Squadron APO 919 (Pilot of F-94 Type Aircraft)

339th Fighter Interceptor Squadron APO 919 (Radar Observer of F-94 Type Aircraft)

- a. One Streak of light, bull shape, size unknown. when first observed color appeared green changing to yellow then to orange-red before disintegrating. Flash of light had a slight streamer trailing, speed unknown, no sound. Light appeared and followed an arc pattern to fading position.
- b. Sighted on 8 May 1952, at 2200 hours Item time. Duration 3-5 seconds
- c. Visual observation. Aircraft altitude 7,000 feet, 250 knots, heading 360° F-94 type aircraft.
- d. Approximate aircraft position (40°40'N 141°27'E). Aircraft heading 360° Object observed at 1 o'clock position. (Pilot reports light traveling from West to East) (Radar Observer reports light traveling from East to West at 2500). Light at eye level with aircraft altitude 7,000 feet.
- e. Sighted by both pilot and radar observer. Information is believed to be reliable.
- f. Night clear with no cloud formations, slight haze, wind 280°
- g. Pilot observed flashing lights which seemed at ground level about 2 minutes previous to observed streak and called it to the attention of the radar observer. FEAF DISTRIBUTION

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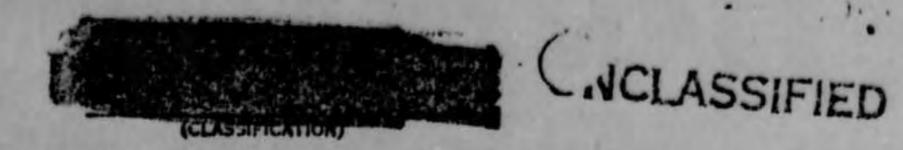
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- 1. No interception made
- j. Sketch attached
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- 1. No radar scope presentation
- m. Radar functioning normally before and after incident
- n. Negative

JAMES O. SHEALY Captain, USAF Intelligence Officer

COMMENT D/I, JAPAN AIR DEFENSE FORCE:

The Deputy for Intelligence evaluates this report as C-6 rather than C-2.

GEORGE R. KAUFFMAN
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Intelligence

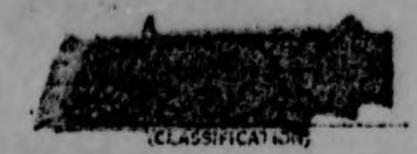
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- 1. A check with Japanese observatories has shown no increase in meteorite activity and no sightings of unusual phenomena in recent months.
- 2. Air Weather Service normally launches lighted weather balloons at night. Erratic behavior of a lighted weather balloon, together with physic-logical limitations of night vision might account for such reports.

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STATEMENT

At 2200 hours on 8 May 1952 while steering due north to Misawa Air Base, I observed a flash of light at eyelevel. The light lasted for approximately 3-5 seconds starting with a broad greenish-blue streak and ending in a puff of orange-red flame. The light first appeared at approximately 030° to my starboard and moved downward very slightly from my port to starboard.

Previous to this flash of light I had been observing (for approx 2 min.) a flashing white light which appeared to be on the horizon and in the same direction as the light described above. After observing this light I flew north of Misawa Air Base on the coastline to a point approx. 30 miles north of the base looking for any remains of the falling light previously seen. While doing this I was in contact with the GCI controller and upon pancaking I made a verbal report to him of what I had observed.



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At 2200 hours on 8 May 1952 we were flying north along the coast line about a mile south of Misawa Air Base. The pilot. The called my attention to a flashing light which was on the surface out at the one o'clock position. I was watching this, trying to see if it had any code sequence when I saw this streak of bright light in the air and at our altitude (7000 ft), which was out at the same angle that I had been looking (1 o'clock). It was traveling in a path of a falling arc, slightly toward us, moving in an easterly to a westwardly direction. When first sighted it had a bright green color which changed to yellow then to an orange red and died out of sight as though it had disintegrated in a motionless position. It just stopped, got real bright and died out. Its color seemed to linger rather than have a tail like a shooting star. It was fast moving, bright and of short duration. As for its duration which I could hardly estimate, it did last long enough for me to say "Look, Look, Look" to the pilot over our live interphone and for him to answer. I could not see anything I could recognize as a solid mass, only as light.



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