

**PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD**

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| <b>1. DATE</b><br><p align="center">8 Jul 60</p>  | <b>2. LOCATION</b><br><p align="center">5 mi NW of Big Delta, Alaska</p>   |  | <b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| <b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b><br>Local _____<br>GMT <u>09/0645Z</u>   | <b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |   |
| <b>5. PHOTOS</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | <b>6. SOURCE</b><br><p align="center">Civilian</p>   |  |   |
| <b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b><br><p align="center">5-10 sec</p>   | <b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b><br><p align="center">one</p>   | <b>9. COURSE</b><br><p align="center">descending</p> |   |
| <b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b><br>Brilliant yellow flash with large trail of heavy black smoke with varying degrees of intensity, trail larger than flash. Trail of smoke several miles long, then object dipped toward earth and burned out instantaneously after flash. |  |  | <b>11. COMMENTS</b><br><p align="center">Probably a daylight meteor.</p>  |







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 ATIC, HQ USAF (AFCEA SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (SAFIS)). IN ACC  
 DANCE WITH AFR 200-2, SECTION C, PARAGRAPH 15, SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED  
 FLYING OBJECTS (UFO), THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED: A. (1)  
 UNKNOWN. (2) DIME. (3) BRILLIANT YELLOWISH FLASH. (4) ONE. (5) NONE.  
 (6) NONE. (7) LARGE TRAIL OF HEAVY BLACK SMOKE, WITH VARYING DEGREES  
 F INTENSITY. TRAIL LARGER THAN FLASH. (8) NONE. (9) NONE. B. (1)  
 TRAIL OF SMOKE. (2) 40 DEGREES FROM HORIZON AT APPROXIMATELY 125  
 DEGREES. (3) 20 DEGREES FROM HORIZON AT APPROXIMATELY 125 DEGREES.  
 (4) TRAIL OF SMOKE HORIZONTAL TO EARTH, ESTIMATED ALTITUDE 8000

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

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Location 5 mi. Nw of Big Delta, Alaska

Date 9 July 1960 Hour (Z) 0645Z

WX High scattered clouds, vis 50 mi, winds Sw and S at 8 to 13 knots

Description A brilliant yellow flash size of dime left a large trail of heavy black smoke with varying degrees of density, estimated to be several miles long. was first seen 40 deg elev at 125 deg, disapp 20 deg elev at 125 deg, trail was horizontal to earth and parallel with the road, was viewed for about 5 to 10 seconds.

Direction of Motion descending

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) None reported to be reentering at this time.

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) Probably a daylight meteor

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) None

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) -----

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. Ruled out-no acft reported to have crashed

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluation of Source Reliability Poss reliable

Analysis and Conclusions: If it had been an acft burning it would not have travelled so far and would not have left such a long trail of smoke as that reported by the witnesses. There were no acft crash reported. The object is typical of a large meteor that is seen during daylight, burning up and leaving a trail of smoke.