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COMET C/2007 N3 (LULIN)

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COMETS C/2008 T11, C/2008 T12, AND C/2008 U2–U4 (SOHO)

Further to *IAUC* 9018, additional Kreutz sungrazers have been found on SOHO website images. C/2008 T11 was small and stellar in appearance (mag ~ 7 –7.5) in C3 images, but diffuse and faint with no tail in C2 images. C/2008 T12 was very small, diffuse, and elongated (mag ~ 8). C/2008 U2 was small and stellar in appearance (mag ~ 7). C/2008 U3 was slightly diffuse (mag ~ 8 –8.5). C/2008 U4 was slightly diffuse, appearing small (mag ~ 7) in C3 images with a short, diffuse tail in C2 images.

Comet	2008 UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Inst.	F	<i>MPEC</i>
C/2008 T11	Oct. 13.638	13 ^h 01 ^m .3	– 9°32′	C3/2	HS	2009-A59
C/2008 T12	14.313	13 11.3	– 9 13	C2	RK	2009-A59
C/2008 U2	16.521	13 19.8	–10 06	C2	EB	2009-B66
C/2008 U3	16.788	13 21.3	–10 09	C2	RM	2009-B66
C/2008 U4	16.863	13 08.1	–11 06	C3/2	RM	2009-B66

COMETS 213P/VAN NESS, 214P/LINEAR, AND 215P/NEAT

Comet P/2009 B3 = P/2005 R2 (cf. *IAUC* 9017) has been assigned the permanent designation 213P. Comet P/2009 B4 = P/2002 CW₁₃₄ (cf. *IAUC* 9017) has been assigned the permanent designation 214P. Comet P/2009 B5 = P/2002 O8 (cf. *IAUC* 9018) has been assigned the permanent designation 215P. See also *MPC* 64980.