

Russians in UFO probe

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RUSSIAN air force bosses are carrying out a secret top-level inquiry into UFO sightings.

At least 300 UFOs have been reported by Soviet military and civilian pilots, it was revealed yesterday.

None of the sightings can be dismissed as hoaxes or genuine mistakes, according to a Russian newspaper report quoted by the New York Times.

The latest incident involved an Aeroflot airliner near Minsk.

The crew and passengers reported seeing a bright yellow light from which a thin, white ray shot to the ground.

The ray of light turned into a green cloud which crossed their flight path and began to take on the shape of a plane.

The crew, all experienced fliers, were convinced they had been buzzed by a UFO.

Ground controllers claimed to have seen the plane being followed by unexplained blips on their radar screens.

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