

Jets hunt UFOs in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO — The air force has ordered an investigation into the sighting of tiny balls of light that flew through Brazilian skies at 1440 kmh and evaded air force planes sent up to chase them.

“We are looking for a technical explanation for these phenomena. So far we don't have any,” the air force ministry's press office said in Brasilia, the capital.

The objects were first sighted on Monday night by a private plane near Sao Jose dos Campos, an industrial city 336 km south-west of Rio de Janeiro.

The air force sent up three Mirage fighters and two F-5E jets to chase the objects, which he described as multi-colored balls of light. Instead, the objects pursued one of the planes.

“One of the pilots reported that 13 of the objects accompanied his aircraft, seven on one side and six on the other.”