

Pilot sees second 'UFO'

A Japan Air Lines pilot who said his cargo jet was shadowed by a huge unidentified flying object over Alaska in November has reported another sighting.

JAL said today they were studying the report and refused further comment.

Captain Kenjyu Terauchi and his co-pilot reported the sighting of lights on Sunday morning on a flight from London.

"His statement to the controller was "irregular lights, looks like a spaceship," said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman, Paul Steucke.

But he said light reflecting off ice crystals in the atmosphere could have been responsible.

Capt Terauchi, a veteran pilot, told the FAA he saw the lights twice on Sunday, once for about 20 minutes and again for about ten minutes as his plane flew at 37,000ft.

The co-pilot also reported seeing lights but the flight engineer "was uncertain."

On November 17, Capt Terauchi said two bright lights and an object as wide as two aircraft carriers placed end to end followed his Boeing 747 for more than 300 miles as it flew to Anchorage from Iceland.

The lights stayed with the plane even when they changed altitude and took other evasive action, he said.

The object showed up on the plane's weather radar and air traffic controllers spotted what they believed was a split image of the aircraft.

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