

Grim warning from beyond the stars . . .



"VOYAGER" spacecraft, right, photographs the rings of Saturn for radio transmission back to Earth.

'Halt all

space probes or

we'll destroy

your planet!'

A leading scientist says space aliens have warned the governments of the world to end all exploration beyond our own solar system — or they will cause the Earth to stop spinning on its axis!

"If they make good on the threat, if they stop the Earth spinning, in a split second we would simply blow up," Dr. Andre Jubert, the famed astrophysicist, told reporters in Paris.

"I know the Soviet Union has taken the warning seriously. I hope and pray other countries, especially the United States, will too."

The expert — who has close

ties to space officials in the Soviet Union and America — said the radio warning was received at various listening posts around the world in early July.

The aliens who beamed the signal obviously possess a super technology, he added, because the message was transmitted in a complex mathematical code.

"The message itself was short and to the point," said Dr. Jubert.

"The extraterrestrials have claimed territorial rights to all space beyond our solar system and forbidden us from exploring it with space vehicles such as America's *Voyager* probes.

"It's too late to call those ships back, of course. But the aliens made it clear that additional probes will be considered warships.

"And they will retaliate by destroying us."

Just how space aliens could stop our planet's rotation isn't

clear, said the astrophysicist.

"But it would be negligent to think that they are bluffing," he continued.

"We must go on the assumption that they have the awesome power to make good

on the mind-boggling threat."

Soviet and American space officials confirmed that Dr. Jubert has worked closely with the space programs in both countries since the 1960s but they refused to comment on the authenticity of his report.

"I'd like to help but I simply don't have the authorization to discuss it," said one U.S. source. "I will say that Dr. Jubert is a respected scientist. When he says something, his colleagues usually listen."

The famous astrophysicist himself plans to petition the governments of the world to work on a global space strategy "before it's too late."

"There simply isn't any time to waste," he stated. "Concerned people everywhere will have to put pressure on their governments. We have to work together to make the powers that be ban

these probes. If not, we are just asking to be killed."

— LESLIE KNOLL

They'll cause the Earth to stop spinning



ARTIST'S CONCEPTION of the Earth's fate if the aliens make good on their doomsday threat.

Cops nab ramblin' gamblin' preacher

A traveling evangelist has been convicted of bilking lonely women out of more than \$50,000 and blowing the loot on gambling junkets.

Erie, Pa., authorities said Daniel Atwood, 48, is facing up to 68 years in prison.