

# DESERT UFO PUZZLE

## Police check attack claim

By NEIL McMAHON  
A FAMILY'S claim that they encountered a UFO as they crossed the Nullarbor Plain early yesterday is being taken seriously by authorities.

A woman in her 40s said her three adult sons claim an oval-shaped object appeared in the sky above them. It hovered in the ground and showered it with ash before flying away.

Police said there was physical evidence of the UFO attack and at least one independent witness. A truck driver has also claimed to have been followed by the object.

The family involved are considered by police to be reliable witnesses.

"It looks authentic - civilian clothes were apparent," one detective said last night.

The family involved in the incident are expected to travel to Adelaide to be interviewed by scientists at a UFO research centre. Their car will also be examined.

They have drawn a diagram of the UFO, which they say was an orange colored egg-shaped object.

Police Sgt Jim Funnell of Ceduna, 500 km east of the SA-WA border, told The Sun last night the incident happened about 5.30 am yesterday (8.30 am Melbourne time). The family was driving from Perth to Melbourne along the Eyre Highway near the Ford Teister.

Sgt Funnell said they were near Mundrabilla, in



OBJECT  
WHITE LIGHT  
with shape  
in centre  
a yellow  
light.  
About 3 feet  
wide. No  
extension  
of length



DRAWING BY  
KNOWLES  
FAMILY  
GIVEN TO  
POLICE

ROAD SURFACE

● A sketch of the UFO drawn by the Knowles family soon after the incident in which they claim they saw an egg-shaped object on the Nullarbor Plain.

back on to the road and south-east WA, when the drama started.

"They saw a light object following a truck going west along the highway, then it turned around and caught up with the Teister," he said.

"It landed on the roof. They picked the car up, shook mid-air for some time it violently, pressed it

he might just have to settle for "incident on the Nullarbor Highway".

Sgt Langley said he had taken other UFO reports but none like the one given to him yesterday by the Knowles family.

He said he was normally sceptical but was keeping an open mind.