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PHOTO of UFO taken over the Persian Gulf.

UFO fleet poised to end Persian Gulf war



CITY OF FEAR: The population of Qatar is alarmed by the staggering number of UFO sightings, says an eyewitness, inset.

Stunned scientists count 52 sightings over battle-weary Arab lands

A rash of UFO sightings over the Persian Gulf could mean that space aliens are joining the foreign military buildup in the troubled region, a leading expert warns.

"This is a most alarming development," Dr. Catherine Rioni, a physicist with a keen interest in UFOs, told reporters in Bern, Switzerland.

Are starships armed?

"With the militaries of the United States, Great Britain, France and the Soviet Union already well represented in the region, the last thing we need is another power trying to exert control."

The expert sounded the alarm in the wake of 52 UFO sightings in the region since December alone. Although most of those were over Kuwait, Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia, the latest have been in the vicinity of warships

in the Gulf and off the peninsula of Qatar.

The tiny country juts into the Gulf and shares a border with Saudi Arabia. Thousands of citizens reportedly witnessed the most recent UFO display, when a brightly-lit, revolving disc hovered in the sky for more than three hours.

The official Qatar News Agency said the spaceship "emitted a low hissing sound and constantly changed colors" before it vanished over the horizon in the dark night sky.

Neither the United States nor the Soviet Union have been willing to discuss the sightings even

though intelligence sources in both countries say the situation is being watched closely from the highest levels of government.

Dr. Rioni said there is no evidence to suggest that space ships monitoring the gulf are armed — but that doesn't mean they are not dangerous.

"We certainly don't want to plunge the world into a panic but we should be wary," she said. "You have to assume that a civilization that developed flying saucers is vastly superior to our own. If they decided to use force it would put us in a helpless position."

— HENRY WEBER



MAP at right shows the Persian Gulf with X indicating the highest concentration of starship sightings.

A UFO Over Qatar? Witnesses Report Bright, Revolving Disc

Deutsche Presse-Agentur DOHA, Qatar — The official Qatar News Agency said Monday that it had received several reports of an unidentified flying object over the Persian Gulf.

The apparition lasted for three hours, from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., and the object, "which was shaped like a changing colors that emits a low hissing sound."

The agency said that earlier UFO sightings were reported in Qatar on Dec. 30 and that similar sightings were reported recently in Kuwait.

NEWSPAPERS throughout the world are beginning to cover the amazing sightings — but only **The NEWS** has the complete story!

Pearl-plucking parrot drives pet shop owner to poorhouse

Cal the jewel thief seems hell-bent on a life of crime, but cops will never lock him up — because he's a parrot.

had to cough up \$88.10 in small claims court to replace the gem swiped from the customer's ring.

The rare bird is causing owner Tom Miller problems with customers at a pet store in Grand Forks, N. Dakota. He plucks pearls out of necklaces and diamonds out of rings — and swallows 'em.

Teen kills for jail rest

A teenage boy who stabbed a woman to death said he was tired of working and wanted to go to prison — so he could get some rest.

The 17-year-old hailed a cab driver near the village of Vigo, Spain, and asked to be driven to the prison gates.

It was Miller — not Cal — who

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