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Monster

aliens

land in

Russia

— official

MANY extraordinary events have happened in Russia in recent years — perestroika, glasnost, plans for a McDonald's. But this could be the strangest thing of all...

SCIENTISTS have confirmed that an alien spaceship manned by giant people with tiny heads landed in Russia, the official Soviet news agency said yesterday.

Tass said the unidentified flying object, looking like a large shining ball or disc, landed in a park in the city of Voronezh, terrifying onlookers.

'Scientists identified the landing site and found traces of aliens who made a short promenade about the park,' said Tass, which is not known for its sense of humour.

Residents in the city 300 miles south-east of Moscow watched as the spaceship hovered over the park before landing. Then, three creatures similar to humans emerged, accompanied by a small robot.

Overwhelmed

'The aliens were nine to 12 feet tall, but with very small heads,' witnesses said. 'They walked near the ship and then disappeared inside.'

Tass, which said the landing happened 'recently,' said onlookers were 'overwhelmed with a fear that lasted for several days.'

Genrikh Silanov, head of the Voronezh Geophysical Laboratory, told Tass that scientists found a 20-yard depression with four deep dents as well as two pieces of unidentified rock.

'Analysis has shown that the substance cannot be found on Earth,' Silanov said, adding: 'However, additional tests are needed to reach a more definite conclusion.'

Tass said residents also reported recent sightings of a 'banana-shaped' object in the sky similar to one described in an American magazine — which it was unlikely they could have read.