

2 SOUTH AFRICAN POLICEMEN REPORT SIGHTING OF 'SAUCER'

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa—South African police and scientists investigated Thursday a report that a flying saucer-type object had landed on a main highway near Pretoria, the country's administrative capital.

Two patrolling police officers reported seeing the flaming "saucer," about 30 feet in diameter, shortly after midnight. One of them, Koos de Klerk, said that the shiny copper-colored object resembled a giant spinning top.

The two men claimed that, as they approached the object, it took off silently at great speed with flames shooting out of its underside.

Scientists who examined the spot where the officers said that they saw the object are reported to have found that a six-foot wide section of the tarred road had been badly burned. Grass on either side of the highway also was reported slightly scorched.

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