

# **British flying saucer planned**

**LONDON, Fri.—**  
**Britain would build**  
**a "flying saucer,"**  
**the Evening News**  
**said today.**

It would be a fighting machine of incredible speed.

The paper says the Ministry of Supply is developing a prototype of the saucer from the "Flying Redhead" jet machine

**Bedstead."** a jet machine with a vertical take-off

The Minister for Supply (Mr Duncan Sandys described the machine in a statement he issued to newspapers yesterday.

**It has no wings and no rotors.**

Four long thin legs at the corners with small castor-like wheels look like the legs of an old-fashioned iron bedstead.

## **Talk at Show**

Mr. Sandys released details of the machine after a special conference with top-ranking Supply Ministry officials and Rolls-Royce jet experts.

The conference decided that public disclosure of this sensational new air development would be in the national interest.

The Evening Express says the Government told research experts and Rolls-Royce chiefs to design an aircraft that could:

- Take off vertically at terrific speed.
- Fly far above the speed

● Fly far above the speed of sound.

At Farnborough Air Show today talk was mainly of future developments based on the "flying saucer" design.

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