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Diane Lovett

Taipei, Jan. 18 (CNA) The Ministry of National Defense (MND) on Tuesday confirmed the report that 10 unidentified flying objects were spotted heading across the Taiwan Strait from mainland China toward northern Taiwan and later disappeared at an altitude of 14,000 feet to 25,000 feet on Jan. 16.

Judging by the direction of the wind and airflow, the MND suggested the UFOs were sent from mainland China and said the move has seriously threatened both Taiwan and international aviation security.

The MND, making the statements during a regular press conference, added that the ministry immediately informed the Civil Aeronautics Administration and instructed them to pay close attention to this situation and urged the mainland to refrain from this kind of dangerous behavior.

Following the MND's warning, the Strait Exchange Foundation (SEF), Taiwan's quasi-official organization dealing with cross-strait affairs, sent a letter to its mainland counterpart, the Association for Relations Across the Taiwan Strait (ARATS), urging the relevant authorities to investigate the issue.

In the meantime, the Civil Aeronautics Administration (CAA) plans to issue a warning on Tuesday afternoon to pilots flying the Taiwan-Kinmen route as it judges that the unidentified flying objects may cause disturbances to aircraft flying that route.

Currently, no unusual objects have been detected by the CAA's radar screens, but the warning from the MND illustrates that the UFOs pose a potential danger on the Taiwan-Kinmen route, so the CAA has decided it will issue the warning.

Several UFOs were again spotted on Jan. 17, according to the MND.

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