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SOURCE: MOSCOW ITAR-TASS WORLD SERVICE IN RUSSIAN 0920 GMT 26 JUN 96

TEXT:

BY VLADAS BURBULIS

FBIS TRANSLATED TEXT VILNIUS, 26 JUN -- AN <u>UNIDENTIFIED FLYING</u> <u>OBJECT</u> (UFO), SPOTTED NEAR THE LITHUANIAN BORDER ON 25 JUNE BY TWO DUTY MOTOR POLICE PATROL OFFICERS JAUNIUS POZERA AND LAIMIS KRAUJALIS PLACED THE WHOLE VILIUS POLICE ON THE ALERT. VEHICLE LOADS OF SOLDIERS FROM THE ARAS RAPID REACTION FORCE, SNIFFER DOGS AND POLICE REINFORCEMENTS IMMEDIATELY ARRIVED ON THE SCENE OF THE EMERGENCY.

ACCORDING TO THE EYEWITNESS'S ACCOUNTS, AT ABOUT 0030 IN THE EARLY MORNING, ON THE VILNIUS-MEDININKAI ROAD, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF NEMEZIS, 10 KM FROM THE CAPITAL, AT AN ALTITUDE OF 20-30 METERS ABOVE THE GROUND, THEY NOTICED A SPHERICAL OBJECT HANGING AND "PULSING," ALTERNATELY SHRINKING AND EXPANDING. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY HEARD WHAT THEY DESCRIBED AS "A STRANGE SOUND LIKE AN ELECTRIC OR ELECTRONIC CRACKLE," WANTING TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THE UFO, THE POLICEMEN MOVED TOWARD IT. WHEN THEY HAD ADVANCED ABOUT 50 METERS THROUGH THE LONG GRASS, THE POLICE SAID, THE SPHERE MOVED AWAY, ROSE HIGHER AND RAPIDLY DEPARTED IN THE DIRECTION OF VILNIUS.

THE POLICEMEN WATCHED THE UFO FOR ABOUT HALF AN HOUR. ON THEIR ARRIVAL AT THE SCENE OF THE "EMERGENCY", MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, SERVICEMEN FROM THE SPECIAL FORCES AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE CAPITAL'S POLICE CAREFULLY STUDIED THE AREA, MEASURED THE BACKGROUND RADIATION AND TAPE-RECORDED THE STRANGE SOUND, WHICH WAS STILL HEARD IN THE AREA AFTER THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE UFO. THE SNIFFER DOGS DID NOT DISCOVER ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS AND BEHAVED QUIETLY. BUT IT WAS NOTED THAT THE TALL GRASS AROUND THE PLACE OVER WHICH THE SPHERE HAD "HUNG" WAS FLATTENED TO A RADIUS OF 10 METERS.

LITHUANIAN SCIENTISTS HAVE NOT YET EXPRESSED AN OPINION ON THE APPEARANCE OF THIS UFO NEAR VILNIUS. POLICE COMMISSIONER VALENTINAS JUCHNEVICIUS SAID IN A RADIO INTERVIEW TODAY THAT BOTH OFFICERS WHO WATCHED THE SHINING OBJECT "ARE PSYCHOLOGICALLY HEALTHY, NORMAL PEOPLE, NOT NOTED FOR CRANKINESS."

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