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RINCE Charles is at the centre of a bizarre UFO

mystery.

The Prince had a close encounter during a flight home from the United States last week.

The pilot of his RAF VC-10 radioed air traffic control to say he

had been startled by a "glowing red object" in the sky.
Incredibly, FOUR other aircraft reported sighting the "UFO" over the same stretch of the Irish Sea.

### Visit

An immediate investigation was launched—but no trace of the unidentified aircraft has been found.

Other explanationssuch as meteors or debris from a satellite—have also been ruled out by experts.

Charles was nearing the end of a 12-hour trans-Atlantic flight after a five-

## Pilot shocked close encount

day visit to the U.S. when the incident happened.

A source at West Dray-ton air traffic control near London's Heathrow airport said: "The object was reported by five different aircraft, including the Prince's.

"The pilot described seeing a red glowing object. The light from it lit up his cocknit.

"We just don't know what it was It's a complete mystery."

And an air traffic official

at Ireland's Shannon air-port said: "The pilot saw a bright flash in the sky.

"An immediate check was made on all aircraft, but none was missing.

"Whatever the pilot saw, it certainly was not another aeropiane.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman confirmed: "Prince Charles's pilot did report seeing a bright flash, but we are satisfied there was no danger Prince's aircraft." to

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PRINCE PHILIP has been a keen UFO follower for the past

### Creature

UFO expert Tim Good, an author and lecturer, said last week: "It may not be pure coincidence.

"It is likely that any creature from outer space that is more advanced than us would be aware of the significance of a Royal flight."

And former diplomat Gordon Creighton, the editor of Flying Saucer Review magazine, said:

"I've no idea what this object could have been, but it would be wrong to dis-miss it. There are beings in space watching us very closely."



Philip-follower

He is a keen reader of the magazine, Flying Saucer Review.

And he once invited a man who claimed to have seen a UFO landing to come to Buckingham Palace to tell his story to a Royal aide so the official could report to Philip, who was on tour in Australia

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off. The mascet of RAF Halten, Buckingham-shire, hecame the butt of every joke. Se he's been given an honourable discharge.