FOUR POLICEMEN PHOTOGRAPH A CLOSE ENCOUNTER

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The following incident took place southeast of Stockholm in the early 70s. One of the witnesses, who is now on police duty

at another location in south Sweden, says:

At the time I was with the police force of Handen, south - At the time I was with the police force of handen, South of Stockholm. Late one evening, in the fall, I received a call from police headquarters requesting me to take part in a search for an old man who had disappeared. I joined in and after a briefing with the search command we left for the terrain near Tungelsta, 20 km east of Södertälje. This area has a narrow net of small roads. With a colleague I drove slowly through the district. After a while we rendezvoused with another police car at a crossroads and all four of us got out of the vehicles to stretch our legs for a while.

Standing there we suddenly see a powerful light-source between the tree-trunks. A strongly brilliant object comes gliding at a low level, finally to stop at a distance. The object - which was discoid - radiated an enormously strong white light which lit up all of our surroundings. I could almost see every needle on the trees although it was a dark October night! The air around the luminous disc trembled and steamed as if the object was heated.

For how long we stood there, completely paralyzed, I don't know. Suddenly, however, one of my comrades regained his self-command, stretched his hand through the sidewindow and put on the roof searchlight. At the very same moment the object started to meve. Slowly it tilted on its edge and now we could see the metallic structure of it's surface. The disc was about 20 meters in diameter. Then it slowly glided over a nearby field.

- Another of my colleagues broke out of his paralysis, threw himself into the car and took out the camera which is a standard equipment in all our cars. He ran after the object a while and then took several pictures in close sequence. A while later the object disappeared out of view. The October darkness was once more with us.

- Excited we contacted - on our communication radio - the Handen headquarters and informed them about our sighting. Police HQ, in turn, contacted the military since the area is crammed with defence installations like the Navy base on the Musko Island. We were ordered back to the station to report on what had happened.

So far the words of our anonymous witness. But the following

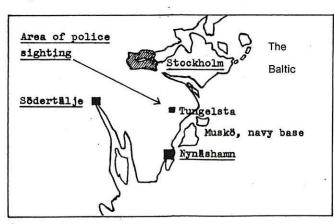
facts remain to be told:

The film was developed but according to the policeman it was totally destroyed. This, of course, would be quite natural since the object was so brilliant. But the fact that none of the four men were allowed to view the developed film make room for other theories. According to police management the UFO had not been registered on military radar scopes.

We are left with the cold facts: Four policemen watch an unidentified object at a very close quarters. For quite a considerable time they are permitted to examine the phenomenon, but can't explain what they see. And, finally, their superiors ask them to keep silent, an order none of the policemen dare to break even today. Although there have been recent contacts between the four they have not become united as to coming out of anonymity.

The old man was found in good health later in the night. His disappearence had nothing whatsoever to do with the UFO.

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