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third such major incursion in two years, has drawn angry protests from Angola and was criticized by the State Department Tuesday.

There has been speculation here and in western capitals that it was launched in response to Angola's brusque rejection of an offer made kept on "intertering" with the South African operation despite transplifets that had been dropped warning them to keep clear.

Viljoen said there had use teen one engagement with while troops, "whom we presume were Cubans."

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Possibly as Large as Jupiter

Mystery Heavenly Body Discovered

By Thomas O'Toole Washington Post Staff Writer

A heavenly body possibly as large as the giant planet Jupiter and possibly so close to Earth that it would be part of this solar system has been found in the direction of the constellation Orion by an orbiting telescope aboard the U.S. infrared astronomical satellite.

So mysterious is the object that astronomers do not know if it is a planet, a giant comet, a nearby "protostar" that never got hot enough to become a star, a distant galaxy so young that it is still in the process of forming its first stars or a galaxy so shrouded in dust that none of the light cast by its stars ever gets through.

"All I can tell you is that we don't know what it is," Dr. Gerry Neugebauer, IRAS chief scientist for California's Jet Propulsion Lab-

oratory and director of the Palomar Coservatory for the California Institute of Technology, said in an interview.

The most fascinating explanation of this mystery body, which is so cold it casts no light and has never been seen by optical telescopes on Earth or in space, is that it is a giant gaseous planet as large as Jupiter and as close to Earth as 50 billion miles. While that may seem like a great distance in earthbound terms, it is a stone's throw in cosmological terms, so close in fact that it would be the nearest heavenly body to Earth beyond the outermost planet Pluto.

"If it is really that close, it would be a part of our solar system," said Dr. James Houck of Cornell University's Center for Radio Physics

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