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Dear Mr. Cameron:

As you probably know, my communication with Doty has consisted of one letter I sent to him concerning various bits of information he gave to Peter Gersten when the two met in New Mexico some years ago. I wrote to Doty and he replied.

Doty claimed that UFO sightings had occurred in New Hampshire during November of 1982. He stated that AFOSI District 1 (located at Pease Air Force Base) conducted investigations into these sightings and he suggested that Mr. Gersten submit FOIA requests to AFOSI District 1 and Headquarters, AFOSI, for records on the alleged sightings. FOIA requests were submitted and all replies from AFOSI were negative. They had no records on any such incidents.

Peter Gersten showed Doty the infamous Ellsworth AFB document and Doty confirmed that the incident actually had occurred. Doty claimed he participated in the investigation of the incident. FOIA requests were submitted to numerous government agencies and all denied the incident ever occurred.

For your reference, additional information on Doty's claims to Peter Gersten can be found on page 7 of Just Cause No. 16, June 1988. It contains the published notes of Barry Greenwood, who spoke with Peter Gersten shortly after his return from New Mexico, as did I. My recollection of my conversation with Peter Gersten was substantially the same as Barry Greenwood's, with perhaps one exception.

Peter Gersten told me that he showed Doty the document that mentions Project Aquarius. At that time, I took "the document that mentions Project Aquarius" to mean the highly suspect AFOSI teletype that cites analyses of UFO photographs allegedly taken by Paul Bennewitz. The same document also mentions MJ-12 and Project Aquarius. Doty claimed that extra information was added to the AFOSI teletype. Doty suggested to Peter Gersten that perhaps I had created the new version with added information and stated that he was aware of another instance where I had manufactured some information. Naturally, I was more than a little anxious to confront Doty about his charge, since I have never manufactured any information on any subject at any time.

By letter dated December 28, 1983, I wrote to Doty, at what I believe was his home address, and confronted him about the claims he made to Peter Gersten. He denied everything, which was not unexpected. I certainly didn't expect him to admit that he has been lying to everybody.

That was the extent of my communications with Doty. I have no desire to communicate with him any further. I don't see the point in asking questions when the answers can't be trusted.

It is interesting to note that Doty's typewritten letter to me appears on plain (no letterhead address) bond paper bearing a U.S. Government watermark.

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As for other Dotys, I am aware of only one. The "Project Twinkle Final Report," dated 27 November 1951, mentions a Major Edward A. Doty who was then stationed at Holloman AFB. As I recall, Peter Gersten told me that Doty had confirmed that Major Edward Doty was Richard Doty's father. I don't even know if that's true. Somehow I doubt that Doty even knows who his father was.

My copy of the report is too faded to reproduce, so if you would like a copy I suggest you obtain one from the Blue Book files at the National Archives. They will be glad to furnish one for a nominal fee.

As for Dr. Sarbacher and the Research and Development Board (RDB), all I know is what has appeared in print. I see no real distinction between DARPA and RDB, since DARPA is a subordinate element of the organization that evolved from the defunct RDB. I presently have an FOIA request pending with the government concerning the RDB, MJ-12, the Smith memo, and Sarbacher's claims. I have no idea when they'll get around to furnishing a substantive response, although they have acknowledged the request. I have seen references to the RDB in a small number of UFO-related documents released by the government, but nothing that would suggest a level of involvement beyond the RDB's function of keeping tabs on research projects. In his book, The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects, Ruppelt refers to the RDB a couple of times, but, again, nothing that would suggest a major involvement on their part.

In your letter you mention something about Bill Moore's having worked for the CIA at one time. This is a new one. Can you furnish anymore details on these stories? Also, I have absolutely no information about claims that Moore has made statements to researchers that he has been to the MJ-12 base. As I'm sure you can appreciate, I find both claims laughable.

I hope this helps some, but I have my doubts.

Sincerely,

Bob Todd

*P.S. Where will your paper be published?
I'd like to get a copy.*

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Dear Robert:

Received your letter of Feb.3,1997, and appreciate your writing to check the facts. The Smith history has always interested me, and I have spent a great deal of time researching what happened so many years ago.

I have always wanted to write up what I found, including interviewing all of Smith's " inner circle " members who worked with him in the 50s. I am at present working on a long paper on the Kecksburg crash, and hope to tackle the Smith thing next. In this regard I hope you will keep me informed as to who you talk to in this regard, and what they say. In exchange I will provide you with whatever information that I can. I have a lot of material. Unfortunately, my collecting abilities do not extend to my filing abilities.

Now as to your questions. It appears your questions may be prompted by a recent resurfacing of an article " Wilbert Smith and MJ-12" written by Christopher Allen. I should warn you that most of what Allen says is inaccurate, and some of it is actually deceptive. I furnished Allen with a great deal of information in the late 80s, and it appears that he chose to ignore a great deal of it, in order to get his sceptical spin to things. Bill Moore also spent a great deal of wasted time correcting Allen's material.

Here is the story based on my recollections. I would require a long search thro' my files to get every detail exact. Arthur Bray will be able to verify his role in things.

Wilbert Smith died of stomach cancer, and therefore had time to plan for his passing. According to his wife, he made plans to hide his files from the government, as he was very disappointed with how he had been treated on a number of fronts.

Apon his death, the files went into hiding, and sometime in the mid 80s or late 80s, they ended up with Mr. Bray who lives in Ottawa, and who knew a number of the people in the Ottawa flying Saucer Club, including Smith's wife.

As Mrs. Smith told me, Wilbert had copies of some of the government documents in his files. Thus the importance of hiding them. Among the documents was the Nov.21,1950 TS memo. You can check with Bray, but I believe that this copy does not have the

handwritten notations on it, and therefore had never been declassified. As you can see from Bray's letter to me he remained quiet about what he knew was in the file.

The document was discovered in the government files by Mr.X. This is his real name, and his former name escapes me. He provided a copy to Stanton Friedman (I believe Friedman actually wrote this on some of the documents that he distributed) and the rest is history.

I have enclosed some documents that will help you to understand where the TS document came from. I, along with half a dozen researchers have ordered the documents from Transport and DOD and have received the TS memo in the package.

What most stories tend to leave out is that there are a number of other classified documents that were in Smith's files that have never been released by the Canadian Government. Most of these were reprinted in " UFOs, MJ-12, and the Government."

The government refers to the TS memo the same as everyone else does. There is no question in anyone's mind here about it's authenticity. What government officials have raised on occasion is Smith's right to put Top Secret on his " personal papers" as Allen describes Dr. Solandt saying.

Such is naturally BS. The only two documents Smith put TS on are the original Nov.50 memo where he is transmitting what he was told was above TS info, and a second memo where he is requesting that he be given clearance to talk to American authorities.(This document has never been released, and was found in Smith's file) Once Project Magnet was authorized, it was run at a Secret level. This was in the classified correspondence with the Canadian Embassy in Washington.

This should get you started. Keep me informed of what you find out, and if you have any further questions write again.

Now, on the MJ-12 document front, I would like some advise from you. During my research Scott Crain and I came across a witness who claims to have destroyed a similiar document in a security review. As I understand it, destroyed documents are recorded. Can one obtain the paperwork from a security review thro'FOIA? What are the chances of success?

Keep in touch.

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2 April, 1997

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Dear Grant:

Thank you for your letter of March 10 concerning Robert Todd. I received a letter from him dated March 16, copy enclosed. The letters to you, and *The Spot Report*, were interesting reading, to be sure.

I have replied to Mr. Todd and a copy is enclosed for your information. I do hope this will be helpful to you. I wish you continuing success in your work.

Yours sincerely,



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1 April, 1997

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Dear Mr. Todd:

This is in response to your letter dated March 16, 1997 concerning information on UFOs, Wilbert Smith's top secret memo [21 November, 1950] in particular.

First, the original of this memo was in a file at the Department of Communications (DOC) here in Ottawa. I viewed it there. But for the record, I first found a copy of this memo in one of the Smith files given to me by Smith's widow. Then when I visited the DOC offices to peruse their UFO files, I saw the original memo. The only other document making the claim about being "classified two points higher than the H-bomb" was Smith's handwritten notes recording the key points of the interview with Dr. Sarbacher. It was this interview upon which Smith based this part of his memo.

Whether Smith had any other documentation to support this, I do not know. I do know that Smith would not have committed this in writing to his superior in the government if he was not convinced of the truth of the statement. Smith was most meticulous about his facts and the statements he made. I admit to finding it difficult to know exactly what you may be looking for. The interview with Sarbacher was actually conducted by LCDR Bremner of the Canadian Embassy in Washington, according to Smith's notes, on September 15, 1950.

Concerning Smith's contacts with alien beings, to my knowledge there is no record of the actual number of contacts he claimed. Yes, he had the contacts while employed by the Canadian government and the government leaders were aware of these and decided to let him handle things in his own way.

On 11 December 1955, Smith wrote to Donald Keyhoe that "Certain officials in my government are aware of my contact with these people and are willing to let me play it my way." To my knowledge, he never had face-to-face contact. It was always through a psychic.

Everything that I was able to confirm until the end of 1979, from documents and through interviews with Smith's widow and others who worked with Smith, is outlined in my book *The UFO Connection* (Jupiter, Ottawa, 1979).

As for any arrangement by Smith for a flying saucer to land at a Canadian Government research base, I know nothing. However, I do know that the Canadian Government established a landing pad at Canadian Forces Base Suffield, Alberta, in the hope of attracting a flying saucer to land. To my knowledge, none ever landed. I confirmed all this with the former Minister of Defence of the time, who authorized the building of the pad. My file on this is also, of course, at the University. I do not believe Smith was involved in this.

For your information, I have retired from UFO research and I no longer have my files (which included the Smith files which I acquired) and large collection of other UFO and related literature and other materials. I donated it all to the Archives and Special Collections, Morisset Library, at the University of Ottawa. This is all identified as *The Arthur Bray Collection*.

As one who seeks the full truth concerning writings and documents on UFOs, you may be aware that a number of Ufologists have claimed that Smith, in the last couple of years before his death from brain cancer, was "not all there". I hope you realize that no evidence has ever been presented to justify these statements that I have ever seen or heard of. Just because **he died of brain cancer** does not prove that he had lost his faculties to any degree at all while he was still employed. I knew several people, including my brother-in-law, who died of brain cancer and they all maintained their full mental faculties until they were eventually hospitalized due to physical weakness. As the only Ufologist to have had any close contact with Smith's widow and son as well as some of Smith's colleagues, I can assure you there was no evidence that Smith had lost any of his mental faculties prior to his hospitalization.

I hope I have provided the information you were seeking.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Bray:

I am writing in regard to Wilbert B. Smith's 1950 Top Secret memo. It appears that you have access to many documents written by or sent to Smith. Specifically, I would greatly appreciate it if you could tell me if any documents you have seen confirm the contents of Smith's memo. For example, does any of the correspondence between Smith and the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C., confirm that, within the U.S. government, the subject of UFOs was considered to be classified higher than the hydrogen bomb?

Additionally, I was informed recently that Mr. Smith actually claimed to be in contact with alien beings, and that the first such contact occurred in August 1954. Can you tell me approximately how many contacts Mr. Smith claimed to have with aliens? Did he have these contacts while he was in the employ of the Canadian Government? Did he report his contacts to the Canadian Government? Did he ever say he had face-to-face contacts with aliens?

I was also informed recently that, at some point, Mr. Smith claimed that he had arranged for a flying saucer to land at a Canadian Government research base. Can you confirm this claim? Is this event documented in Canadian Government records?

I would greatly appreciate any assistance you might be able to lend.

Sincerely,

