December 15, 1952

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Dear Mr. Goll:

This letter report describes progress for the period from
November 11, 1952, to December 10, 1952.

Sighting reports up to and including July 15, 1952, have been
processed. Except for reports dated 1947 and 1948, all sighting reports
up to and including June, 1952, have been evaluated. The sighting
reports for 1947 and 1948 were returned from Harvard University by
November 20. Because the reports and the items which have not been filed in
any place with the folders were mixed up, these reports will not be (?)
ready for evaluation until about December 15.

Two evaluation conferences of two days each were held during
this report period, on November 12 and 13, and on December 3 and 4.
During the report period, evaluation has been more difficult than for-
merly, because the amount and quality of data in the average report have
increased. Evaluation conferences will be scheduled in the future as
reports are available.

The printing option for handling sighting reports, wherein no
more than 100 sighting reports are permitted any one shift at any one
time, has functioned with a minimum of delay.

Coding and evaluation of IBM sighting reports will continue.
The preliminary analysis of data on all sighting reports dated before
1952 will begin as soon as the 1947 and 1948 reports can be strengthened
and evaluated. Results of this analysis will be given to which the
the most probable subgroup of characteristics can be outlined by Janu-
ary 1, 1953. By about January 15, 1953, all sighting reports
dated before August 15, 1952, will probably be processed and evaluated,
ready for IBM analysis.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, The Ohio State University, gave advice on
procedures in analyzing sighting reports during the report period.

Very truly yours,

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Supervisor

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cc: Capt. F. R. McGovern