

Supplement to [Article #4](#) in [Groom Lake Desert Rat #33](#)

Cancer Man Says Nevada Base "Unviable"

It's official: Cancer Man said on the 2/16 episode of [The X-Files](#) that the Nevada base has become "unviable." 

Here is a transcript provided by one of our readers. This was the second part of a two-parter about an alien intelligence lurking in a slick of 50-weight motor oil. The oil was first encountered in the depths of the Pacific and is now occupying the body of renegade FBI agent [Alex Krycek](#) ("[Apocrypha](#)" episode 96-3X16). It's a bit complicated, but this 50-weight oil needs a human host to transport it from the ocean floor. (Oil normally rises in water, but maybe 50-weight is different, and anyway *this is no ordinary motor oil*.) We would like to explain how the UFO comes into the story, but we aren't sure. In any case, it can't be moved to the "Nevada base" for obvious reasons.

[Cancer Man](#) is the guy with the suspiciously Canadian accent who is always smoking a cigarette and seems to be in charge of things.

Setting: the club room in NYC where the Secret Committee That Really Runs The World hangs out. CANCER MAN enters...

[COMMITTEE MEMBER #1](#)

We've heard you acted on your own and moved the salvaged UFO to another location.

CANCER MAN

These new attempts to recover it have increased our need for security.

COMMITTEE MEMBER #2

Who else is looking for it?

CANCER MAN

In the event, I moved it as a safeguard.

COMMITTEE MEMBER #1

Someone better damn well find out how the French even knew where to look for it.

CANCER MAN

I can assure you it'll be absolutely inaccessible now.

COMMITTEE MEMBER #3

Why not bring it to Nevada, like the others?

CANCER MAN

Breaks in security and a heightened public interest have made the base in Nevada unviable. Is this why I was called here?

COMMITTEE MEMBER #2

No. We'd like an explanation about this business with the assistant director of Bureau, Skinner.

CANCER MAN

Random shooting for all I know.



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