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Re: ... Washington DC 1952 investigation

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> Date: Thu, 15 Jan 1998 12:51:57 -0600 (CST)
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
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> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: ... Washington DC 1952 investigation

> >From: KRandle993 <KRandle993@aol.com> [Kevin Randle]
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> >KRandle

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I wish the UFO issue were that easy to resolve...:)
Tom Burnett

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