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Mr. Grant Cameron,
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Dear Mr. Cameron:

Thank you for addressing your inquiry to me on the subject of Unidentified Flying Objects. I always appreciate receiving letters from my constituents and you have written on a particularly interesting topic.

The Government decided in 1968 that the matter of Unidentified Flying Objects must be contained within the scientific community in order that reports of this phenomenon should receive clinical analysis in an unbiased atmosphere. Accordingly, the National Research Council (NRC) was designated as the recognized governmental agency responsible for investigating unidentified flying objects. The position of the Department of National Defence, and indeed of all government departments, is that the National Research Council investigates phenomena of this type. This is not a way of evading a statement in response to your very honest request. It is simply that the subject is surrounded by so much speculation that the matter has been put in the hands of a scientific body as the only sensible way of rationalizing the facts.

Let me continue to answer your questions in specific detail:

- a. Sightings of U.F.O.s by citizens should be reported to the National Research Council, Radio and Electrical Engineering Division, Ottawa. Sightings of meteorites and fireballs are also welcomed. It is not necessary for the observer to attempt to make a distinction between U.F.O.s and meteorites or fireballs. The NRC has regional representatives across Canada who are also interested in receiving reports. A list can be provided by NRC.

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