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Dear Lieutenant Commander Bray:

Thank you for sending me your paper. I found it most interesting and agree that in the main there is no reason why you should not publish it.

I do have one reservation which I'm sure you will go along with. It pertains to two observations you make about DND files in paragraphs five and six on your first page. The inference most people will take from the paper as now written is that DND is attempting to bury or hide files or material that was on the files. I thought I should ask the Director of Operations for his comments on these observations as I know you would want to hear what he has to say before putting your final stamp of approval on your paper.

Here are his comments:

Your paragraph 5 - DND has stated on several occasions that prior to 1965 Air Defence Command (ADC) in cooperation with NORAD was the recognized defence agency primarily concerned with UFOs. As NORAD is tasked with the responsibility for air defence of Canada/US regions, this agency was most interested in unusual aerial sightings which could neither be identified or explained. However, as a result of numerous investigations, ADC concluded that there was no evidence to suggest that UFOs posed a threat to national security and it was therefore decided to transfer the responsibility for UFO investigation to CFHQ. To the best of my knowledge, ADC did not forward their UFO files to CFHQ and unofficial talks held with ADC suggest that the files were destroyed in accordance with normal disposal instructions. As stated, ADC UFO investigations did not arrive at any fixed conclusions; therefore, their files would have served no useful purpose to CFHQ. The responsibility for investigating UFOs within CFHQ has changed hands a number of times and as a result the Public Archives Records Centre hold the following UFO files: