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The Honourable Paul Hellyer, M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Hellyer:

I am engaged in research on the subject of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and have in my files a report from the Ottawa Journal of July 20, 1967 of an interview with you by Victor J. Mackie.

You disclosed at that time that the Canadian Government, 13 years previously, had made available the Defence Research Board experimental station at Suffield, Alberta, as a landing site for UFOs, but that nothing ever materialized from the top secret project.

I wish to obtain your personal confirmation that such a site was made available for that purpose, and also wish to know the reason why this was done, i.e., what was the object of the exercise.

I will be very grateful for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Bray

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CANADIAN GOVERNMENT REVEALS 13-YEAR OLD UFO SECRET!

The "Ottawa Journal" of July 20, 1967 carried the report that Canada's Defence Minister, the Hon. Paul Hellyer, had disclosed in an interview a hitherto Top Secret UFO project, i.e., that 13 years ago the Canadian Government had made available the Defence Research Board Experimental Station at Suffield, Alberta, as a landing site for Unidentified Flying Objects. He stated that no extraterrestrial flying objects ever sought to land on this 1,000-square-mile restricted tract of land over which no aircraft, defence or civilian, was allowed to fly without special permission. The idea behind the classified project was that if any UFO tried to make contact with Earth, it could land at the DRB station without being shot down by defence interceptors.

He went on to say that after checking out the rash of flying saucer sightings in the late 1940s and in the 1950s, special scientific committees set up in Canada and the United States concluded that the evidence presented on UFOs showed no indication that they represented a threat to national security. According to Mr. Hellyer, the special Canadian committee ceased to function about 10 years ago. Surprisingly, after a long governmental silence policy and even flat denials from the Department of Transport, it is now admitted that our founder, the late Wilbert B. Smith, was a member of this early committee and furthermore that he set up at the Shirley's Bay Research Station near Ottawa, specially designed apparatus for the purpose of detecting any UFOs passing overhead although it is claimed that while recording all aircraft flying above it, it did not register any object which could not be explained away.

As a result of the recent increased number of UFO sightings in Canada, particularly in Manitoba, it is now reported that the National Research Council is planning to set up a special committee to study the latest reports on UFOs and that it will probably operate under the chairmanship of Dr. R.S. Rettie, Head of the Space Research and Facilities Branch of NRC in Ottawa. Its objective will be to check into the current crop of UFO sightings to determine whether there is justification for launching a new scientific investigation of the UFO phenomena.

Mr. Hellyer has refused to commit himself one way or the other on UFO reports, but states he is keeping an open mind on the subject. We feel that Canada's Defence Minister is to be commended on his open-minded approach to the UFO mystery and for releasing more information to the public on this fascinating enigma.

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Hellyer goes ever farther out

Some former Canadian cabinet ministers spend their post-political careers on corporate boards, or at prestigious law firms, or in some cushy position with the United Nations. Not Paul Hellyer.

Lester B. Pearson's former defence minister, Hellyer has set his sights much, much higher. First elected to the House of Commons in 1949 at the age of 25 — then the youngest person ever elected — Hellyer went on to challenge Pierre Elliott Trudeau for leadership of the Liberal party in 1968.

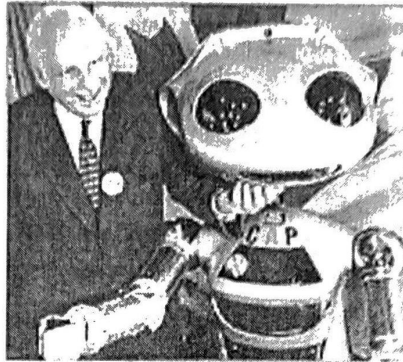
After losing the leadership bid, Hellyer parted ways with Trudeau and the Liberals, sat as an independent, joined the Progressive Conservative party, contested the leadership of the PCs in 1976, rejoined the Liberals, founded the Canada Action Party in 1992 and unsuccessfully tried to merge the party with the NDP.

Having covered all the ground in Canadian politics, the 82-year-old Hellyer now has his feet decidedly off the ground. This Sunday, he's scheduled to give a speech at the Exopolitics Toronto Symposium on UFO Disclosure and Planetary Directions.

As the name of the symposium suggests, participants are convinced that little green men — or grey men, as the *X-Files*' Fox Mulder always corrected non-believers — are alive and well and watching us right now.

Just to add a little conspiracy flavour, participants also believe the Canadian and American governments have been less than forthcoming about their knowledge of UFOs and ETs, as they call them.

In fact, according to a press release from the appropriately named event sponsors — Mufon Central Canada and Zland Communications — Hellyer will address the Symposium's central theme: "Why information concerning extraterrestrial-related phenomena and government involvement with these issues is still being with-



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Hellyer and pal in an earlier meeting, held from the public by specific western nations."

Or, as Alfred Lambremont Webre, director of the Vancouver-based Institute for Cooperation in Space, founding father of exopolitics and author of *Exopolitics: Politics, Government and Law in the Universe* explains:

"Our viewpoint is that that a massive operation is underway involving integrated resources of diverse, advanced upper-dimensional Extraterrestrial civilizations, coordinated around a Higher Plan to facilitate a living planet Earth's shift from a Third Dimension of linear Time and Space, to a Fifth Dimension of Unconditional Love and Cosmic Light."

Hellyer, who speaks highly of Webre's book, doesn't appear to be as far out as some of his fellow believers.

He admits to having been skeptical of UFOs at first, but says he's been convinced by what he's read more recently. He now believes that aliens have been observing us for half a century.

At first blush, such a statement might seem outlandish. But with Parliament gearing up for another session of bickering, backbiting and backstabbing on Monday, Hellyer's flights of fantasy will probably appear mundane by comparison.

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Govt. Keeping Open Mind On UFOs

By VICTOR MACKIE

OTTAWA (Staff)—Defence Minister Paul Hellyer says reports of unidentified flying objects go to the operations centre of the national defence department and, if it is believed necessary, the reports are also referred to the National Research Council.

He was commenting on reports from Manitoba and Ontario that UFOs have been sighted in recent weeks which cannot be explained.

"We are keeping an open mind on this question. We have not yet confirmed the actual existence of UFOs. But we have declared that we believe such objects exist nor dismiss a report of UFOs as being without foundation."

A University of Ottawa psychology lecturer and an air force veteran reported seeing saucer-shaped unidentified flying objects in Ottawa this last week.

Over two weeks ago a Manitoba man, Steven Michalak, claimed he saw and touched an unidentified flying object north of Falcon Lake. He suffered burns when the object took off.

A wire service newsman in Ottawa saw two bright lights last week moving at an incredibly fast rate of speed noiselessly across the night sky.

They were accompanied by no noise and moved so rapidly that they apparently, according to his observation, belonged to some flying object faster than any jet. He did not report it, despite the fact he was accompanied by six friends, because he believed he would be scoffed at and ridiculed. His friends also saw the UFO.

Officials of the national defence

department here say that any Canadians seeing, or believing that they have seen, a UFO should make a report to the nearest detachment of the RCMP or the national defence department. The reports are then passed on to the defence department's operations centre at Ottawa.

The Canadian defence department works closely with Operation Blue Book which is connected with NORAD. The United States defence department set up Operation Blue Book to examine all reports of UFOs reported in North American skies. It has been handling that job for 15 years.

Last Saturday Defence Minister Hellyer went to St. Paul, Alta. to officially open one of

that area's "imaginative" centennial projects, namely a flying saucer landing pad.

He entered into the spirit of the occasion and assured the people of St. Paul that the defence department was keeping an open mind on the question of UFOs.

He suggested Canadians should keep an open mind because, if there was any civilization on another planet that was more advanced than our civilization, it might conceivably have the ability of developing interplanetary travel. He pointed out that many UFO sightings had been explained as natural phenomena and checking had shown others to be reflections from jet aircraft or weather balloons.

But there had been some sightings that could not be explained.

In Ottawa, Dr. William Barry, an associate professor of psychology at the University of Ottawa, told of sighting a UFO last Saturday. He said: "I almost dropped dead when I looked through the binoculars and saw the saucer shape. I said, 'Oh my God, now we're seeing them.'"

J. P. Lecours of Ottawa, a hearing aid consultant and an airman for almost 27 years, said the objects "looked like sheets of paper fluttering back and forth irregularly."

Prof. Barry, his neighbor Mr. Lecours, and their wives were on the patio of the Barry home when they saw the objects low

in the sky to the north.

"I saw something flinty in the sky," said Prof. Barry. "I thought at first it was a bird or a kite. They had a strange erratic flight pattern, looked like tin foil caught in the sun." He went into his home and got a pair of binoculars. With them he "could make out the circular appearance." He said they shed a pale incandescent light and were visible for some time before they dropped below the horizon.

SUPPORT FROM CHINA

CAIRO (AP) — Chinese Premier Chou En-lai pledged firm solidarity with the Arab peoples in their fight against the Israelis, the official Middle East news agency said Wednesday.

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Pearson's fascination with flying saucers

Ian MacLeod
The Ottawa Citizen

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(Lester B.) Pearson: Intrigued by UFOs.

In the spring of 1966, in the midst of one of his government's biggest crises, prime minister Lester Pearson turned his attention to flying saucers.

Cabinet documents from the time reveal the embattled prime minister was intrigued by repeated reports of unidentified flying objects in the night skies over southern Ontario, Michigan and other Great Lakes states.

The UFO sighting craze reached new heights when heavyweight boxer George Chuvalo, fresh from his famous "Battle of Toronto" match against Muhammad Ali, told reporters he and his wife saw unexplainable objects over Toronto the night after his March 29, 1966 loss to the world heavyweight boxing champion, then known as Cassius Clay.

At the time, Mr. Pearson and his government were licking their own wounds. For the preceding month, the Liberals and John Diefenbaker's Conservative opposition had been trading heavy blows in the Commons over the government's handling of the case of George Victor Spencer, a Vancouver postal clerk accused by the RCMP, but never charged, of being a low-level Soviet spy.

Under relentless questioning in the House by Mr. Diefenbaker and other critics, flustered Liberal justice minister Lucien Cardin lashed out by revealing the previously secret case of Gerda Munsinger, a German prostitute who had an affair with associate defence minister Pierre Seigny during an earlier Diefenbaker government.

The parliamentary rancour that followed nearly brought the Liberal government to collapse and is considered by some

historians to be one of the most noxious periods in modern Canadian parliamentary history.

Mr. Pearson told his cabinet it was "imperative" for the Liberals to end debate on the Munsinger issue, which threatened "to exacerbate an already dangerous and destructive Parliamentary situation."

He soon agreed to a royal commission into Canada's first Parliamentary sex scandal and a separate commission of inquiry into the handling of the Spencer case. Mr. Pearson also suggested a new debate on the death penalty, a hot subject as two Quebec separatists were on death row.

Mr. Cardin, who had been vehemently opposed to a Spencer inquiry, threatened to quit, taking with him other Quebec members of the Liberal caucus. There was media speculation that Mr. Pearson, too, would resign.

On the morning of April 5, 1966, with the espionage inquiries soon set to begin, Mr. Pearson met with his cabinet. But instead of discussing Mr. Spencer or Ms. Munsinger, he said he wanted ministerial briefings on the UFO phenomenon, according to newly uncovered cabinet meeting minutes at the National Archives.

Paul Hellyer was minister of national defence at the time. In an interview yesterday, he did not recall Mr. Pearson's UFO directive.

"It's quite possible that we provided him with a briefing or gave him the information that we had, which was not very extensive," he said. "If he followed up, that's what would have happened. But he sometimes raised things, then didn't bother following up. There were a lot of things cooking in those days."

Indeed. That very night, the Commons defeated a government motion to abolish capital punishment. The following day, Mr. Pearson unveiled a plan to make the federal public service bilingual.

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Hi everyone!

Tomorrow (today is Victoria Day) I will mail copies of a CD with 161 Frances Swan/AFFA related documents (thanks to Grant) and some related photocopies, all from the Eisenhower era, to Eleanor and Richard. I have many more different Swan/AFFA documents from the Ufo archives in Ottawa, including independent news articles that suggest that two unknown objects were indeed orbiting the Earth at the time of these very very fascinating contacts with AFFA and other alleged ETs by CIA, U.S. military and government officials, including Canadians. Frances Swan and Betty Hill, both who claim to have had direct contacts with ETs, were practically neighbours...

Of course, all these documents are direct evidence of high level government interest in UFOs and the two pre-space age objects in Earth orbit but NOT proof of a treaty between Eisenhower and ETs. Below is an e-mail from Grant with additional information which may be this proof...

Last night on Errol's radio show on UFOs, a caller ("Jim" from Mississauga) called who said is a friend of Paul Hellyer who once was Canadian Minister of Defense. According to Jim "He [Hellyer] said, well, one thing he's...he's...really concerned with right now is if...ah...the United States and Canada put this Star War into effect...we're sure going to have some fun with the UFOs when that's goes up into effect, he says I'm just going to sit back and watch what happens, because we have had a lot of evidence over a period of time, that there are something out there...". If Errol can indeed get Paul Hellyer (who was also a close friend of the late Dr. Peter Millman, head of Canada's UFO investigations - Project Second Storey (whose personal papers on UFOs I was unable to get to see, yet) on as a guest on his show, Hellyer will have an incredible story to tell - especially if Errol reminds Hellyer just how many people listen to his show (Hellyer, who once Liberal deputy-prime minister, is now leader of the federal Canadian Action Party).

Check out Grant's web pages below for other connections to AFFA and also further details on how Paul Hellyer was involved with

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These (last year)

- enemy aliens - Turning
- military course
- generals & civil servants
- "there have been face to face discussions" (G)
- gave impression "They weren't that concerned"
- maybe writing a book too
- no hesitation in his voice whatsoever
- more than one type
- "these ^{often} permanent government don't like to share information with the ~~related~~ government policies"
- transitory have no need to know

