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The Right Honourable Lester B. Pearson,
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Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Pearson:

For many years, a steadily growing number of people have been very interested in "unidentified flying objects" (U.F.O.'s). This matter continues to present a challenge to many thinking, educated individuals in spite of numerous attempts by different interests to ignore sightings and to ridicule the people who are witnesses to them.

The governments of many nations have indicated direct interest, but I am unable to locate evidence of the Canadian Government ever having stated interest in the subject, apart from individual cases of different branches of various departments issuing statements concerning isolated sighting reports. Such statements mean little to thinking people however, because they reflect only the limited view of the department or branch concerned. For example, the Dominion Observatory may issue a statement to the effect that a particular sighting "could have been a meteor," but the fact that the sighting could represent something else also, is omitted because other possibilities are outside the jurisdiction of the Observatory. Similarly, the Department of Transport might state that a weather balloon could have accounted for a specific sighting and a similar limited view applies.

.. Never have I heard of a statement by the Canadian Government, as a whole, with respect to its interest in U.F.O.'s.