

enable a program to be initiated within that organisation, but I do feel that further research is necessary and I would prefer to see it done within the framework of our own organisation, with, of course, full co-operation and exchange of information with other interested bodies.

I discussed this matter fully with Doctor Solandt, Chairman of Defence Research Board, on November 20th, and placed before him as much information as I have been able to gather to date. Doctor Solandt agreed that work on geo-magnetic energy should go forward as rapidly as possible and offered full co-operation of his Board in providing laboratory facilities, acquisition of necessary items of equipment, and specialised personnel for incidental work in the project. I indicated to Doctor Solandt that we would prefer to keep the project within the Department of Transport for the time being until we have obtained sufficient infor-

mation to permit a complete assessment of the value of the work.

It is therefore recommended that a PROJECT be set up within the framework of this section to study this problem and that the work be carried on a part-time basis until such time as sufficient tangible results can be seen to warrant more definitive action. Cost of the program in its initial stages are expected to be less than a few hundred dollars and can be carried by our Radio Standards Lab appropriation.

Attached hereto is a draft of terms of reference for such a project which, if authorised, will enable us to proceed with this research within our own organisation.

(Signed)
W. B. Smith
Senior Radio Engineer
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT
INTRA-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

OFFICE, Oshkosh, Marching 23, 1950.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION

For the past several years we have been engaged in the study of various aspects of radio wave propagation. The nature of the various aspects led us into the fields of aurora, cosmic radiation, atmospheric radioactivity and geomagnetism. In the case of geomagnetic investigations we have been able to obtain some knowledge of radio wave propagation which may well be applied with profit. For example, we are field work is abundant and used.

On the basis of theoretical considerations a small and very cheap experimental unit was constructed approximately a year ago and tested in our Research Laboratory. The tests were essentially successful in that sufficient energy was obtained from the earth's field to operate a vacuum tube, approximately 50 milliwatts. Although this unit was far from being maintenance-free, it nevertheless demonstrated the existence of the field in a qualitative manner and provided useful data for the design of a better unit.

The design has now been completed for a unit which should be self-sustaining and is capable of providing a small power output. Such a unit, in addition to furnishing a "pilot power" plant, should be large enough to permit the study of the various reaction forces which are expected to develop.

We believe that we are on the track of something which may well prove to be the introduction to a new technology. The existence of a different technology is borne out by the investigations which are being carried out at the present time in relation to flying saucers.

This is something attending the HARP Conference, the book was released, one titled "Blasted the Flying Saucers" by Frank B. Smith, and the other "The Flying Saucers are Real" by Donald Keyhole. Both books dealt with the sightings of unidentified flying objects. Both books dealt with flying objects were of nature-therefore origin and might well be space ships

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very much pleased. Sedley stated that the preliminary studies of one center which fell into the hands of the United States Government indicated that they operated on a non-bi-racial without racist principles. It appeared to be that our own work in communication should still be the highest between our technology and the technology by which the leaders are educated and organized. If it is assumed in our propaganda investigations are in the right direction, the steps of operation of the centers become quite straightforward, with all observed features explained qualitatively and quantitatively.

I made direct inquiries through the Canadian Embassy staff in Washington who were able to obtain for me the following information:

- a. The matter is the most highly classified subject in the United States Government, being higher even than the H-bomb.
- b. Tying matters exist.
- c. While no overt approach is known but concentrated effort is being made by a small group headed by Doctor Vannoy Bush.
- d. The entire matter is considered by the United States authorities to be of tremendous significance.

I was further informed that the United States authorities are investigating along with a number of lines which might possibly be related to the source's work on mental phenomena and I rather that they are not doing this will please say I indicated that if Cuba is doing anything at all in connection they would welcome a discussion with suitable accredited contacts.

While I am not yet in a position to say that we have solved even the first problems in geomagnetic energy release, I feel that the correlation between our basic theory and the available information on observed effects are closely to be new coincidences. It is my honest opinion that we are on the right track and are fairly close to at least some of the answers.

Mr. Wright, Defense Research Board Liaison officer at the General Motors in Washington, was extremely anxious for me to get in touch with Robert Seibert, Chairman of the Defense Research Board, to discuss with him future investigations along the line of commercial research.

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Notes to L.T. Finklestein: I was aware of analysis notes written after a conversation with RUS an American scientist visiting one of the above institutions and have talked to RUS. I also have copies of carefully worded SECRET correspondence (not TS) between WDS and Mr. Chas. (deceased) 3rd Secretary at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, DC again involving the involvement of Yussuf Bashi. Dr. Bashi was head of the wartime Office of Scientific Information in the War Relocation Authority. He was involved in setting up the Manhattan Project. Post war he was head of the Joint Research and Development Board which was turned into the Research and Development Board. He and Dr. Szilard who is now deceased, was a lot of contact. No better source could have been found for a highly trusted person who was a member of the Atomic Energy Commission. He was given the title of Honorary Citizen of the US by a special statute near Roosevelt. Now, in July, 1947 Bush was also on the War Council and was noted for temperamental analysis of research groups.

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