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OTTAWA NEW SCIENCES CLUB,
95 Centre Street,
Aylmer East, Quebec.

Mr. Bill Craig,
56 Westleigh Crescent,
Toronto 14, Ont.

Dear Mr. Craig:

In response to your telephone call concerning the chunk of metal in the possession of the above Club, I am, as requested, enclosing 2 copies of the article "The Mysterious Chunk of Hardware at Ottawa" which appeared in the Spring 1966 issue of our journal "Topside", together with 2 photographs of the metal and a copy of a report on a recent Metallographic Analysis carried out in Montreal, with accompanying photostat copy of photomicrographs taken during this analysis.

With regard to the 2 photos, I would explain that No. 1 shows the mass of metal as taken in a government laboratory where it underwent a certain amount of tests and analysis by the late Wilbert B. Smith, who was at that time, Chief of Telecommunications Branch with the Department of Transport, a private UFO researcher and the founder of our Club. Photo No. 2 shows one of the inclusions on the outside surface of the metal taken with the aid of microphotography.

With reference to the Metallographic Analysis carried out in Montreal recently, you will note 3 interesting factors:

- 1) The analysis was carried out without any knowledge of the background details of the metal.
- 2) The report states in part " -- it indicates that the metal went through heavy impact that caused the different planes to slip."
- 3) It also states that the metal does not correspond to any known commercial manganese steels and suggests the possibility of an element they know nothing about.

While these factors are not in themselves proof-positive that the metal may be of extra-terrestrial origin, they do suggest that this metal is worthy of further investigation and in particular, a mass spectrophotographic analysis to determine the number of isotopes in the various elements contained in it, which might establish definitely whether the material is of terrestrial origin or not.

With regard to your suggestion that someone from our group takes part in the proposed Canadian UFO program and answers questions about the metal, etc., I have approached a number of our Club members, but regrettably, they do not appear anxious to expose themselves to such publicity due in part to some unfortunate experiences with similar programs in the past when they were subjected to some ridicule, posed misleading questions, etc., and to the fact that most of them hold government positions in Ottawa. Nor, I regret, is my husband agreeable that I take part in the program. However, there would be no objection to your using the material enclosed on your program, but please do not use my name in this connection as I too, am employed by the Federal Government which is inclined to frown on such publicity. This is an unfortunate situation and a real obstacle to our search for the truth about the piece of metal and the UFO mystery in general, and we can only hope that in time, world governments will adopt a more open-minded policy. With increased UFO sightings across Canada and elsewhere, the public is getting very curious, restless and anxious to know the full facts of governmental investigations into UFOs which at present are being withheld from them. I am sure your UFO Program will serve a very real need in this respect and I wish you every success with it. If I can be of any further help with regard to the metal, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carol Halford-Watkins.
Club Secretary.