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Dr. J. Thomas Ratchford  
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Dear Tom:

Attached, so you can discuss it, if you wish, with Art Lundahl, is correspondence between Cdr. Alvin Moore and myself concerning his 1952 experience and subsequent findings of stones, which he thinks are related in some way to the UFO problem, although I haven't been able to find out yet what the supposed connection is. There is a good deal that is strange about Moore's experience. In the first place, the report of the sighting, which he says he sent to Wright-Patterson, is not on file there now according to Sgt. Jones. Second, it turns out (that is to say, Moore states) that the analysis of the artifact found in Virginia in 1952, which he says was done by the National Bureau of Standards, was never written down. So there is not, contrary to Art's impression, a written analysis in existence, and there would be no record at all, I suppose, unless Dayton ends up finding the report Moore says was sent to them. This, of course, may be another grain of evidence - I don't know - that Ruppelt made off with some of the files of sightings. You know that I visited Ruppelt's widow and was not able to find out anything, although one might possibly judge her assertion that she didn't have anything, that, "Ed would never take any Air Force files," was a little too ready and a little too vigorously asserted to carry total conviction. In any event, either Moore never sent his sighting to Dayton or Dayton never received it or they did receive it and subsequently, in some way or another, lost it.

I don't think it is going to be terribly useful to follow up further with Moore. If he can give me an explanation as to why we should look into the stones and they appear to have a real relationship to the UFO problem, then we will follow up with it. Otherwise, so far as I am concerned, the matter is closed.

Sincerely yours,



Robert J. Low

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cc: E. U. Condon

"M"ore:

January 12, 1968

Commander Alvin Edward Moore  
916 Beach Boulevard  
Waveland, Mississippi 39520

Dear Commander Moore:

Thanks very much for your letter of January 5th. I have checked with Wright-Patterson AFB, and they report that they do not have a file on your heavy stone. Hence I would be very grateful if, as you offered, you would send me a copy from your own files. I would very much like to see this, but unfortunately, as I say, it looks as if it is not available in Dayton.

With respect to your coming to Boulder, I would like to discuss the matter with Dr. Condon to get his reaction. It would help a great deal in presenting the case to him, however, if you could tell me why you think your stones are related to the UFO problem. I would like to have a sort of working hypothesis that you would be operating on, at least at the inception of your proposed work, so that we can make a judgment as to whether there seems to be a reasonable basis for supposing that the work, if performed, would contribute to the objectives of our study.

Thanks again for writing.

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Low

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5 January 1968.

Mr. Robert J. Lowe,  
Care of The University of Colorado,  
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Lowe:

In view of your remark about a possible "blank check" in our conversation today, I believe I didn't make clear my idea of possibly working with you for a while. What I had in mind was: (1) my search here thru the large collection of notes, journal entries and clippings I have made over the last fifteen years on the flying-saucer problem, and sorting out those pertaining to stones of the standard-angle pattern that is in all of them - of all sizes collected or drawn or photographed - and especially those that are accompanied by other, standard-type flying-saucer phenomena; (2) selection of a substantial number of stones or the like from the large number I have collected, and selection of other types of materials I have found to be somewhat frequently associated with them; (3) bringing these to you at Boulder and working there under your general direction and guidance and at your offices in making a brief, scientific report and hypotheses about the stones and related phenomena; (4) you to have the privilege to stop my work there and consultant's pay at any time.

I estimate that in a month or so (including a day or two here) I could complete the report (to be edited by you - with credit for its work to me if you use the data and with my privilege of later publication of the writing if you don't use it in the final report of the Committee). If the project would supply my round-trip railroad fare (the stones could go as rail-travel baggage), and pay any reasonable consultant's pay for the work, I would drop my patent activities here for the necessary time at Boulder.

I am listed, with biography, in Who's Who in the South and Southwest; and my qualifying experience for research and writing includes education and experience in Engineering, History and Law. I have finished sufficient course work for a Ph.D. degree (American University, University of Florida, L.S.U. and Tulane University; and I have written and published two non-fiction books.

I certainly hope the Committee does a good, thorough, open-minded job on this problem. For I agree with U. Thant and others that it is about the most important situation now facing mankind. It's been with us thousands of years, but is more acute now that we are about to journey far in space.

Sincerely,

*Alvin E. Moore*

*P.S. My postoffice address in 1952 was Vienna, Va. (Route One). If you post-date my reports late July 1952, all right.*