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Dear Alan:

Considerable provincial and federal government work has been initiated in the Stewart, Unuk River and Iskut River areas of British Columbia. As you may recall I worked for Newmont in the area in 1960 and 1961 and for the British Columbia Government in 1966. I have also been back to the area on visits since.

Bob Anderson of the GSC is working on a 1:250 000 map sheet in the area and is currently concentrating on stratigraphic problems. When I worked for Newmont I found several excellent fossil localities. Unfortunately I have no maps or notes on which to refresh my memory as to their precise locations. This information would be very useful to Bob at his present stage of work. Trying to recall geology by memory is extremely frustrating. Unfortunately, none of my B.C. Government notes and maps seem to be available as well.

As I understand the situation, Hal Norman attempted to compile the geology on a regional scale but that large gaps existed in the regional coverage. About 1963 to 1965 he provided the B.C. Government with copies of the maps and field notes(?) and said, that if they filled-in the gaps, the B.C. Government could publish the information. My work in 1966 for the B.C. Government was directed toward this end. All field data related to this project seem to have disappeared at the time that E.W. Grove resigned from the B.C. Government.

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What I would like to know is whether or not Newmont still has copies of these maps and field notes (especially mine for 1960) and, if so, whether not GSC and B.C. Government personnel, such as Bob Anderson, Bruce Ballantyne, ~~and~~ Dani Alldrick, Dave Lefebure and myself, could obtain copies. Copies of any material could be made here if such an arrangement would be easier for Newmont.

Thank you for your consideration. Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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