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Dear Don,

Under separate cover I am sending you a small "care package" containing materials Betsy and I collected at a fine adze-quarry site on the west end of the island of Molokai. The package contains 2 small adze-blanks and an interesting little abraiding stone (which I have used a bit myself, and which you may want to try out yourself). I am enclosing a couple of slides of the quarry, too. You can add all this stuff to your collection, and I hope that you will find it of use. By the way, I have succeeded in doing a fair job of replicating a smallish adze-blank by means of a combination of direct and indirect percussion. I will tell you all about it sometime -- all I can say now is that it is not as hard as it seemed at first.

It appears that Gem Center and the other El Paso gemstone dealers can no longer supply us with obsidian for our classes. We had a very successful lithics class here last semester, but we used up the last of our obsidian. Have you any suggestions about who I could contact as a possible supplier? I sure would like to continue with this program (we have several very able students in it).

Betsy has a job as an editorial assistant at the East-West Center here on campus. She likes it fine and gets to do plenty of writing. But we are still planning to leave Hawaii, and I am continuing to look around. The prices have shot up here so much in the last few months that I think we'll just about be on the breadline if it continues this way. No kidding -- I do know of some full-time UH faculty who qualify for food stamps!

Betsy and I hope you are both keeping well these days. I'll be seeing your friend, François Bordes, at a conference in Canberra next month (I head back to Aussieland on May 15) and I'll say hi for you.

Cheers,

Dick

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* Be patient - it's coming by surface mail.

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