Route 1, Box 39 Kimberly, Idaho 83341 August 29,1969

Mr. Jeffrey Mauger 103 C Harrison Pullman, Washington 99163

Dear Jeff:

Just a short note to tell you I heard from Francois. Our letters must have crossed in the mail, for he did not reply to several of my questions. So I will quote:

"Sorry, I cannot make it this fall. Too many things to do with the INQUA, and then a symposium in London about Sept. 15th. But I really am sure of coming in 1970 since I have money in the States to support me even if I have no job that time. By the way, I am invited in the fall of 70 by the University of Montreal. Canada. So maybe I will join the two trips and come first to Idaho."

Now this quote is for Doc in case he would like to work with Earl on this one. "I have an idea: why not ask the NSF money for a "Cro-Magnon project"; You, Tixier, Gene, me and some students: purpose: fabrication of flint tools, their utilization to different tasks, then examination under the microscope, etc. That could be done maybe with the sup ort of the University of Arizona and Idaho State University. What do you think of it? It would be at least a two month project. Of course there is a lot yet to think about but why not? With big money, if we can get it, films, photos, etc. I am sure we could get the support of many people."

If you like, talk to Doc and Smith about this - for I think Pullman has much more of mp program going on lithics than Arizona. Swanson is in Chicago for another week, so have not had time to discuss this with him, so tell Doc to play it cool and wait for the word from Earl. Another thing we must keep in mind - if your university is interested - is that Bordes hates crowds, so we would have to limit the number of attendants. I like the idea - what do you think. We have the facilities at Pocatello and could perhaps borrow what we lack from your university. Let me know.

If I wind up a farm sale by next Wedenesday - Evie and I plan to head for Glass Butte and spend a few days in the camper there doing some preforming. Then we will head for the Oregon coast for a short vacation before knuckeling down to the cone and thermal papers.

Received some cores from India from Herry Jacobson of Columbia University. When we get together - you will find these of interest.

Regards and keep doing your thing.

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