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Dear Jeff:

Thanks a million for the pieces of walrus ivory. It is still elastic and has not lost the animal oil so will be great for pressure tool bits. I have tried some of the mammoth ivory from Siberia but it is much too dry and brittle. The copper rods will be much appreciated for indirect and chest crutch tool tips. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and consideration. Gene brought them over yesterday and will send some on to Doug. The photos of the artifact are beautiful and the coating with ammonium chloride certainly brought out the flaking detail.

I do wish you could have been with us in Mexico - for it was a fine meeting. You would have been so proud of Barbara's paper on thermal alteration. She did some very fine research and experimenting and came up with some unquestionable results and delivered the paper so very well. I am very proud of the students who were at the field school last summer and so grateful for your profound interest in rock knocking.

Jeff, would you please tell Aleric how sorry I am that we did not get together in Mexico to review his proposal. As you know, these meetings are a bit hectic and when I could find Dick I could not find Carl.

Just received a gratis copy of Jacques Bordaz's book "Tools of the Old and New Stone Age". Have not had time to read it yet, but it looks like a fine piece of work. Lucy drew the lot of reviewing the book so have promised to send her my conclusions when I have had a chance to review the work. Also just received a paper from Muller-Beck from Germany on experiments on glass fracture. Sorry I can't tell you more about it, but I can't read German. Dick knows this man and can give you his address if you are interested.

Thanks again for everything and do have a fine Summer in the Arctic.

Sincerely,

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