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From the editor:

• At the September 1956 session in Mexico the Permanent Commission on Meteorites of the International Geological Congress decided that the above commission send regularly to its members, scientific institutions dealing with meteorites, and also individual investigators of meteorites a special Meteoritical Bulletin, which would give information on new falls and discoveries of meteorites. This resolution was approved by the Council of the Congress.

This bulletin No 1 is being edited and sent in accordance with the resolution of the Permanent Commission on Meteorites.

The Commission asks that all information on new falls and discoveries of meteorites be forwarded as quickly as possible so that the bulletin may be printed and distributed without delay.

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON THE NEW METEORITE SOKOTRA.

Name: S O K O T R A.

The place of fall or discovery: ARABIAN SEA, NEAR THE ISLAND  
SOKOTRA:  $\varphi = 11^{\circ}52'N$ ,  $\lambda = 53^{\circ}37'E$ .

The date of fall or discovery: FALL, January 29, 1957, 2 15

Class and type: STONY, CHONDRITE (?).

The number of individual specimens (?).

Total weight (?).

The circumstances of the fall or discovery:

The fall of the meteorite was observed from the soviet ship "Izmail", going from Calcutta (India) to Odessa (USSR). The fall was accompanied by a fireball, which lit up the surroundings. Evidently a meteorite shower fell around the ship, one fragment hit the foremast of the ship. Breaking up into parts it fell on the deck, where one small fragment was

found, its size being 4,0 x 2,5 cm and weight 17,5 gr.

#### Sources

A radiogram from the captain of "Izmail", Moshinsky and a report to the Committee on Meteorites of the Academy of Sciences, USSR from the Main Inspector for the Safety of Navigation of the Ministry of the USSR, dated January 31, 1957, No GHA 7/132.

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