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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM :

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FOR [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] FROM DR. MCWILLAN

AS A RESULT OF THE RECENT INVESTIGATION INTO THE CAUSES OF AGENA FAILURES, CONDUCTED AT MY REQUEST, I CONCLUDE THAT IT IS NECESSARY FOR THE DIRECTOR, PROGRAM A, TO ESTABLISH A CONTRACT WITH [REDACTED] FOR GENERAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING ON THE CORONA PROJECT. THE DIRECTOR, PROGRAM A, AS [REDACTED], THROUGH THE [REDACTED] PROGRAM OFFICE, WILL CONTINUE TO BE, AS NOW SPECIFIED BY CURRENT CONTRACTS, THE POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE GOVERNMENT FOR TECHNICAL DIRECTION ON THE CORONA PROJECT. THE CONTRACT WITH [REDACTED] SHALL PROVIDE FOR SUCH WORK AS IS REQUIRED TO ASSIST [REDACTED] IN THIS FUNCTION. TO ACCOMPLISH THESE CHANGES IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO ALTER SEVERAL CURRENT CONTRACTS IN SOME PARTICULARS. DIRECTOR, PROGRAM A, WILL SPECIFY TO DIRECTOR, PROGRAM B, THE CHANGES NECESSARY IN THOSE CONTRACTS NOW HELD BY PROGRAM B. DIRECTOR,

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PROGRAM B, WILL INSTITUTE THESE CHANGES AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE. COPIES OF NECESSARY CHANGES WILL BE SUPPLIED TO ~~(S)~~ DNRC. COMPLETION OF CHANGES WILL BE REPORTED TO ~~(S)~~ DNRC.

THESE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE DCI AND THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

END OF MESSAGE.

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