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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Development & Procurement, DPS/DCI

SUBJECT : CORONA Technical Working Group

1. Herewith is a note from Plummer which describes the CORONA Technical Working Group which Lockheed has set up together with minutes of the second meeting of that Group.

2. It is my tentative view that we should plan to be represented at all future meetings of this Group especially since the meetings apparently will usually be held on the east coast. I would appreciate if you and Gene Kiefer would consider this matter so that we may decide what our own position should be prior to the next Progress Report meeting. If you do not agree with my preliminary feeling we could discuss this with Messrs. [redacted] and Plummer to see whether they would have any serious objection and try to overcome any such objection.

3. In this connection I think we should make a major effort to do some home work before the Progress Report meeting on 17 September. Specifically, I would like to have Gene Kiefer prepare a list of technical problems which should be covered at the meeting and I suggest you prepare (or coordinate) a list of administrative and operational problems. You will want to collaborate with [redacted] in the preparation of the latter of these lists which should include any operational problems of which he is now aware.

4. I do not know to what extent you or Gene have made use of [redacted]. It occurs to me that we might well place heavy reliance on him to monitor Itack/Fairchild work.

SA/PD/DCI:RMB: [redacted]

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