

25 September 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] CCB Meeting at Los Angeles on 17 and 18 September

1. On 17 September, [REDACTED] of the (S)NRO Staff; [REDACTED] Staff; [REDACTED] CIA Contracting Officer, and myself had a brief meeting to clarify the Government position with regard to the Research Program. It was apparent while examining some of the cable traffic that there was some lack of communication. In addition, [REDACTED] had apparently misinterpreted some of [REDACTED] comments during earlier meetings. [REDACTED] several times reflected inputs from [REDACTED]. It is apparent that [REDACTED] is getting increasingly involved in the operations of this contract. It was agreed that each of us on the CCB would put down in TWX form, to interested parties, our conclusions and recommendations on any particular item. The following day, the above members of CCB met with representatives of [REDACTED] and others. The following actions were taken:

a. PAR 23-5-2. Evaluation of contact printer optical components, approved as designated in the proposed PAR.

b. PAR 23-5-3. Spray processing evaluations. Go ahead as discussed. This was not to be done against [REDACTED]. However, production running connected with this to be charged against [REDACTED].

c. PAR 23-5-4. Improved IR densitometry approved.

d. PAR 23-5-8. The Kiefer Committee, or Gene Kiefer himself, requested this study. [REDACTED] disagreed with the plan of action. It was agreed that the study should start on a moderate basis with NPIC only. This subject should be discussed and cleared up with the Kiefer Committee. However, [REDACTED] indicated that this committee had been disbanded.

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e. PAR 23-5-9. Because of some confusion, this was being held up. It was agreed that a go ahead had been given at the July meeting.

f. PAR 24-5-1. Low Altitude Reconnaissance. This PAR was the subject of considerable philosophic discussions. It is uncertain to members of the Board the applicability of this research contract to what is basically tactical reconnaissance. It was agreed that that portion of the PAR (para 3a) which basically was for an analysis of what contributions we might make to low altitude reconnaissance problem would be done. Generally, we did not feel the technical reconnaissance development items were within the scope of the contract.

g. PAR 24-5-2. Some effort has already been expended on these color tests. It was agreed that this work should continue. The eventual place of color in the high altitude reconnaissance field is yet to be determined, and it is hoped that the studies under this PAR will contribute to the resolution of the question.

h. PAR 24-5-3. This was given a go ahead although I have some personal reluctance. [redacted] mentioned a similar study done some time ago by [redacted] for Wright Field. [redacted] performed in the studies for [redacted] of OSA. This looks like a duplication of effort and we should coordinate these activities. [redacted] will supply me a copy of the [redacted] study, if [redacted] does not have it. Flight test requirements under these portions of PAR 24 are generally performed by the Agency and coordinated by [redacted] of OSA.

i. PAR 24-5-4. This PAR was approved including the required analysis.

j. PAR 24-5-5. Approved; the flight test program which is being coordinated with [redacted] is to be submitted to the CCB.

k. PAR 25. Image Analysis Efforts. This PAR is basically to provide a collection of edge trace data used in performance evaluation. The Board accepted all the PAR as written except for para 6d (Part of Phase II), evaluation and development of other techniques for performance evaluation.

Under Part 19 of the contract (Hardware Development)

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Item 9: Six Hoppers for the Yardley were approved.

The Yardley was further discussed. [REDACTED] states that he personally is willing to put mission material on the Yardley at present. However, there is some reluctance, without additional running time, by his engineering staff. The Yardley will probably be available for the second or third upcoming [REDACTED] mission. Prior to application of the unit to [REDACTED] missions it was agreed that [REDACTED] would run dups on all prior [REDACTED] missions through the machine so that one has operating history under a variety of mission conditions. [REDACTED] stated unequivocally that the decision to use particular processing equipment, such as the Yardley, on a mission was a prerogative of the program director. Thus [REDACTED] has this decision to make with regard to CORONA and [REDACTED]. I note that [REDACTED] welcomed wholeheartedly what to him was a change of responsibility here. We will need some resolution of the phasing of the [REDACTED] and C missions on this machine. The flexibility available with the Yardley is of great importance to the CORONA program.

2. The first Quarter FY-65 Quarterly Report was submitted and reviewed. This Quarterly Report is attached herewith.

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