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THE NRO STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR NRO STAFF

SUBJECT: ExCom Meeting

For your information, approximately two more meetings with Dr. McLucas are scheduled--one for 4 November at 1400 and the last on either the 9th or 10th, depending upon the arrival of certain data to

[REDACTED] At the meeting on 9/10 November, [REDACTED] options will be presented.

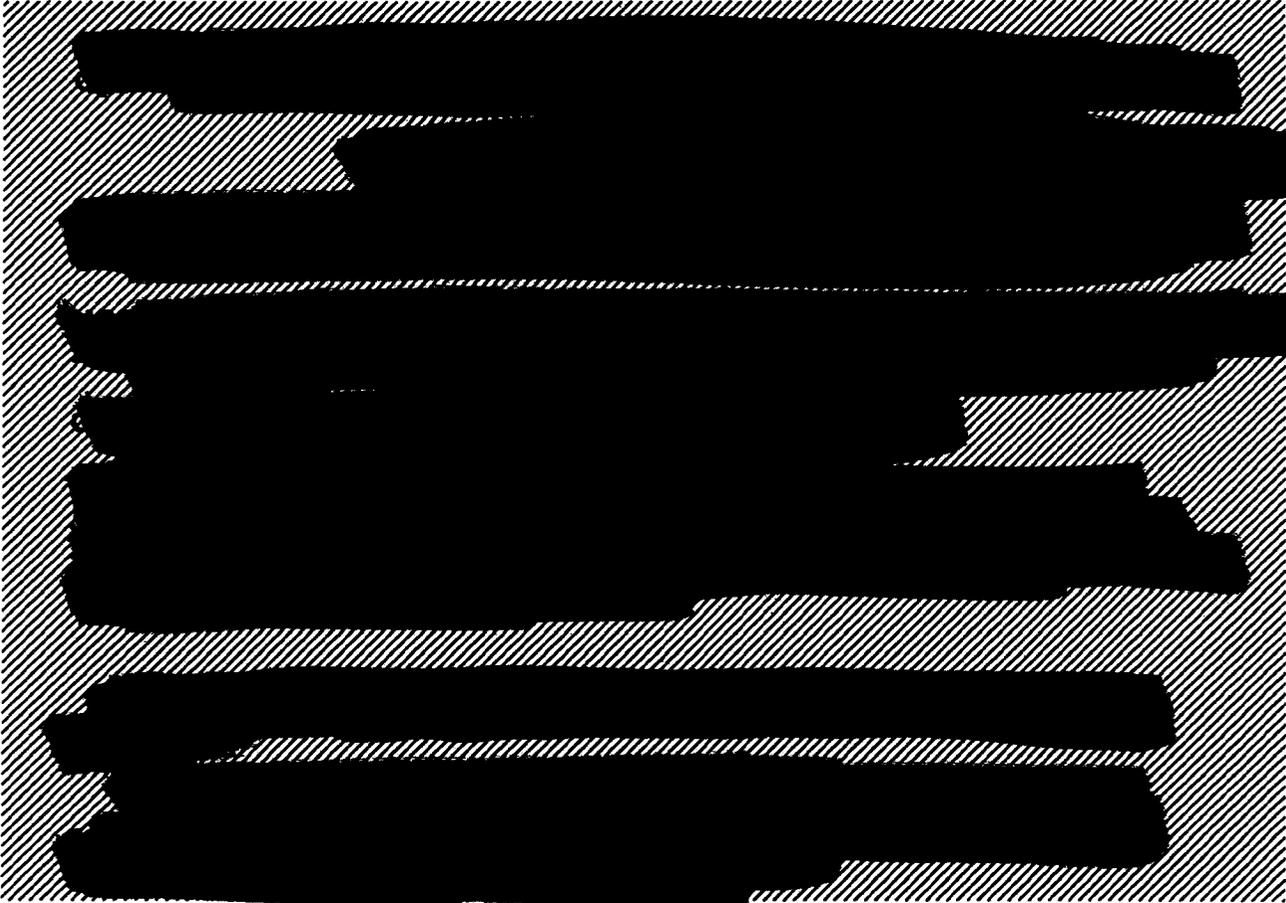
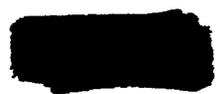
The status of options discussed thus far is:

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CRISES RESPONSE.

[Redacted] will be prepared to discuss crises response options if the [Redacted]. The Director's Report should elaborate on the NRO's potential for responding to crises, i.e., CORONA [Redacted]



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1. In view of the 40 Committee agreement, an increase to the July ExCom U-2 choice is unavoidable for the FY 72 budget. The DNRO recommends Option 3 under the circumstances, which would protect a later decision to deploy for [REDACTED] in one overseas location and assign U-2R's for Cuba and SA coverage. CIA operations are the same under all options.

[REDACTED]



This option is technically a deviation from the 40 Committee agreement, in that it would continue to fly 12 U-2R's. CIA would fly five U-2R's on photographic missions, SAC would fly five U-2R's in relation to [redacted] missions (three deployed to one overseas location), [redacted] would fly two U-2R's for Cuba and SEA photographic coverage. The estimated NRP costs, assuming program continuation thru FY 1976, are:

[redacted]	[redacted]
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2. The 40 Committee agreement extended for one year, with an understanding that there would be a re-examination next year. Accordingly, for FY 73 thru 76 there could be a tentative consolidation option choice, but such options have not been redeveloped at this time, with the added reason [redacted] also subject to further examination. Accordingly, the DNRO recommends for present FYDP purposes that Option 3 be chosen for FY 73-76 as well.

[redacted]	[redacted]
[redacted]	[redacted]
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CRISES RESPONSE (Aircraft and Drones).

 will be prepared to discuss crises response options for aircraft and drones. The Director's Report will include options for existing and advanced systems.



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