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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

August 24, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

My memorandum to you of June 28, 1965, with attachments, presented a summary description of the Manned Orbiting Laboratory program as it had then evolved from the Air Force studies. The memorandum covered, at some length, the important contributions this program can make to our National security, the important reasons for undertaking the program, and the specific reasons for undertaking it in the manner proposed. The memorandum conveyed my request for authority to enter Phase IB of the program.

<sup>we</sup> Transmitted herewith, at your request, is a further memorandum, with attachments, which outlines the manner in which ~~I~~ we would manage the program within the Air Force, presents a recommended policy for security and public information, describes the contractor structure which I recommend for implementing the program, and specifically recommends the contractors to be selected. A proposed public release announcing the selection of the contractors is included.

With this transmittal, I believe I have given you a fairly complete account of the program to be accomplished, of the reasons as I see them for undertaking it, and of the manner in which we propose to undertake it. Again, I urge your approval to initiate the program.

*By Eugene M. Jacobson*

Attachments

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