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REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: AFCCS

SUBJECT: Source Selection Board for Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL)

TO: AFSC

1. Reference is made to the attached Under Secretary of the Air Force memorandum, dated 20 October 1964, subject as above, and to AFSC message MSF-1/10132 dated ~~2 October~~ 28 AUGUST 1964.
2. All investigations, evaluations and recommendations of the MOL Source Selection Board will be made in accordance with AFR 70-15, subject to the direction contained in the above referenced memorandum. In addition to the Under Secretary's direction, that portion of paragraph 4.b.(3) AFR 70-15 which requires the senior officer from each command to be a general officer is waived. AFSC will continue with the assignment of a general officer as chairman of the Source Selection Board.
3. A directive to conduct source selection proceedings with subject board will be issued by this Headquarters when authorization is received by the Air Force to proceed with the development of the MOL.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF, USAF

SUBJECT: Source Selection Board for Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL)

In their message dated August 27, 1964, AFSC announced the establishment of a Source Selection Board for MOL. I concur in the early establishment of this board to indoctrinate members in preparation for source selection. The following guidance is provided:

a. The board should investigate, evaluate, and make recommendations in accordance with the Air Force Regulation which assigns responsibilities and prescribes procedures for selecting system sources. The evaluations and recommendations of the board will be reviewed by the Secretary of the Air Force.

b. The current study of alternative development programs may result in changes to the presently envisioned development schedule. If the MOL development schedule is accelerated, it should not affect source selection procedures but may require obtaining relief from the requirements established by DOD Directive 3200.9.

c. The Air Force Logistics Command should be designated as a participating command, with AFSC designated as the using command.

d. Although three or more commands are normally involved in the selection of a major system, the MOL will involve only two commands. AFSC will be the developing and using command and will have the greatest responsibility in the MOL program. It is appropriate for AFSC to submit a coordinated AFSC/AFLC recommendation on sources in order of preference, rather than each command submitting separate recommendations.

Additional guidance will be forthcoming at the time of approval for Phase I of the program.

*Brockway McMillan*

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Under Secretary of the Air Force

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