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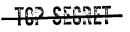
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WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE NRO STAFF

January 29, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. FLAX

SUBJECT: MOL DCP and the DDR&E/DIA Study of the Need for High Resolution

At Tab A is a copy of Mr. Selin's memorandum commenting on the subject papers. Mr. Selin passed this memo to Mr. Nitze on January 17. Mr. Nitze returned it to Mr. Selin with the note "Have discussed this with Mr. Packard who would prefer to review it himself. PHN"

Under a transmittal memorandum of January 24, 1969 Mr. Selin has asked you, Dr. Foster, General Carroll, and General Stewart to comment directly by February 3. He then plans to prepare the memorandum requested by Mr. Nitze/Mr. Packard. For comparison purposes we have underlined and bracketed in red in the formal memorandum those portions which differ from the original draft passed to the Study Group principals for comment on January 15. A copy of this original draft is at Tab B for your further reference.

In the case of the original draft OASD(SA) memorandum, the Study Group principals met and decided that one should handle the comments for all -- Mr. Palley handled the comments.

We are recommending similar handling of the comments on the formal memorandum. In this regard, Mr. Palley has contacted Study Group principals and has prepared a memorandum for Dr. Foster's signature to Mr. Packard. This memorandum resulted from Mr. Palley's coordinated discussion with the Study Group principals based on a consideration of several alternatives for handling the issue. Attached at Tab C are:

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- 1. a copy of the memorandum for Dr. Foster's signature;
- 2. an outline of the alternatives considered;
- 3. a chronology of background notes on the Selin actions.

You will note in the last paragraph of the memo for Dr. Foster's signature an offer of a briefing to Mr. Packard on the overall MOL program, which includes your name as a principal. Your support of the Foster recommendation on the MOL DCP is noted in the third paragraph of the memorandum. Mr. Palley's memorandum was delivered to Dr. Foster this morning.

We will await your advice as to any further action indicated.

WILLIAM R. YOST Lt Colonel, USAF

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