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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. SEAMANS

SUBJECT: MOL Termination

To implement Mr. Packard's June 9 directive to terminate MOL (Atch 1) I sent the following message to General Bleymaier last night:

"Eyes only Gen Bleymaier from Gen Stewart. There follows final guidance and direction re MOL Program termination (Note: This message amends some previous guidance).

"Part 1. McDonnell-Douglas Huntington Beach. Terminate all in-house and sub-contractor activities except Fairchild-Hiller (waste management), Hamilton-Standard (ECLS), and IBM (computer). Direct McDonnell-Douglas to issue stop-work notices to those three sub-contractors and advise them that additional direction will be forthcoming in two weeks.

"Part 2. McDonnell-Douglas at St. Louis. Terminate all MOL activities.

"Part 3. Martin and all Titan IIIM Associates. Terminate all MOL activities.

"Part 4. General Electric. Terminate all clearly unique manned-system in-house and subcontractor activities. This includes such items as the Acquisition and Tracking Scopes; all simulation effort; the slide viewer and cue-projection system; all AGE/AVE and exchange hardware peculiar to the manned system, etc. Additionally, GE should be directed to immediately reduce continuing in-house and sub-contractor activities and work forces so that total expenditures do not exceed a rate of \$4 million per month.

"Part 5. Eastman Kodak. Terminate all clearly unique manned-system in-house and sub-contractor activities. This includes

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such items as the visual optics; the processor and viewer; exchange and training hardware related to man; data return containers, etc. Additionally, EK should be directed to immediately reduce continuing in-house and subcontractor activities and work forces so that total expenditures do not exceed a rate of \$5 million per month.

"Part 6. Crew-related. Issue stop-work notifications to Hamilton-Standard (pressure suit) and Whirlpool (feeding system). Indicate additional instructions will follow in two weeks. Terminate all other crew-related activities.

"Part 7. SCF. Direct SCF to issue a stop-work notice on all in-house and contractor MOL activities. Additional instructions will be provided within 30-60 days.

"Part 8. Software. Issue a stop-work notice to TRW. Indicate additional instructions will be provided in two weeks.

"Part 9. Military construction. Present construction phase of SLC-6 should only be completed to extent that "mothballing" is reasonable. All other construction should be stopped, if reasonable, and "mothballed".

"Part 10. Appropriate instructions and/or notifications should be issued to all Systems Office contractors at or immediately before 1030 AM EDST, June 10."

The stop-work notifications to the subcontractors identified in my TWX -- except for IBM (computer) and TRW (software) -- were issued because NASA expressed some interest in them for possible AAP application; NASA understands that we will terminate the AF contracts in approximately two weeks. IBM and TRW are on a stop-work status for about two weeks while we determine whether they should be continued toward the possible unmanned application.

This morning, General Bleymaier and I personally called all MOL contractors and certain AF agencies and advised them of MOL cancellation. Messages have been sent to all contractors in accordance with my TWX quoted above.

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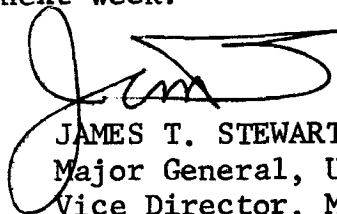
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I am going to the West Coast in the morning to help General Bleymaier prepare detailed follow-up instructions to the contractors and will be there through Friday. Colonel Ford will be available here in my absence. I will give you a more detailed status report next week.



JAMES T. STEWART
Major General, USAF
Vice Director, MOL Program

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cc: Dr. McLucas
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