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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: MOL Residuals at Itek

On January 25 Sam Hubbard of NASA and I met with Charlie Hazzard and George Bessey of Itek to discuss further disposition of Itek furnished drawings applicable to the MOL Mission Development Simulator. The problem at hand was whether or not the drawings could be released showing the "T-System" optical tower configuration. Thus far the NASA Huntsville people were aware of only the single train optical system and had not seen or known of the dual eye piece system. We agreed that there was no problem, partly because this would indicate the multi experiment capability of the MDS. On this basis we agreed that drawings and hardware on the T-System tower could be released.

On January 29 Mr. Hubbard informed me that NASA intended to take the Mission Development Simulator to Huntsville where it will be stored. The Itek optical hardware will be used in a laboratory to check out NASA proposed experiments if and when they are generated. Thus the optical hardware may never be used if it cannot be made to support a particular experiment. Neither Sam nor I have any particular problem with this approach. On the other hand we may wish to require Itek to disassemble the towers and furnish NASA the optical subassemblies only. We still owe NASA and Itek an answer on this.

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