

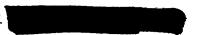
TWX, 7 Aug, "You know systems and number".

Mr. Donald W. Douglas, Jr. Douglas Aircraft Company

"It is most unfortunate that one of our important launches was marred by an unauthorized or incorrectly recorded DAC wired change. I cannot understand why the plug was not wired to conform to the other plug nor why the circuitry check procedure failed to isolate this anomaly. It appears to me that in both instances there were unauthorized deviations from procedures established to prevent such an occurrence. I am sure that you take particular pains to establish procedures to eliminate human errors. Deviations from these procedures must be dealt with promptly and severely. Personnel must be impressed with the importance of established procedures. I would like to be briefed at your earliest convenience on what you have done in this particular case and what you are doing to prevent similar reoccurrences."

/s/ General Schreiver

Any questions, please call



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