

MERCHANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Staff Visit to the West Coast Facility

- 1. During the period 21. 26 January 1962 I visited Lt. Col. Murphy at the Pale Alto, California. It was a most productive session with the items listed below being discussed:
 - a. Film Overlap Requirements
 - b. Launch Limits
 - c. Selection of Commerce Slit Width
 - d. Comera Program Designation
 - e. Proper Exposure Illumination
 - f. Additional Communications Facilities at STC
 - g. Thin Based Film
 - h. Transportation of "M" Take
 - i. Security Problems
 - j. Headquarters Symposium
- 2. The following agreements were reached and are hereby made a matter of record:
 - a. Item 1.a. Film Overlap Requirements:
 - (1) will not add a pad for latitude shifts.
 - (2) will add to "I" and "I" programs to insure stero at 'B-OFF points for latitude shifts.
 - (3) will also add required minimum operate time required by camera operate system.

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- (h) Pad for longitude shift will be included in casers OS-OFF program sent by
- (5) will send OH-OFF progress expressed in whole degrees of latitude rounded eff to the outside limits.
- (6) and all identify flight lines of highest priority in paragraph F, of the
- (7) will identify cemera CH-CFT points near tangent points by latitude and longitude.

b. Item 1.b. - Launch Limits

- (1) find in the model of a string the lammed limits base on vehicle, system, and/or recovery limits.
- (2) will send desired launch limits in These must be sent not later than Launch minus 11 days. The limits will be as broad as possible but not less than ninety minutes.
- (3) has the authority to extend the launch if this action is required on launch day.
- 3. The following items were discussed and I recommend the following actions be approved:

a. Item 1.c. - Selection of Comera Slit Widths

(1) It is Col. Murphy's desires that he make the final selection of the slit width after the camera program has been approved. He can best make this decision after an over-all evaluation of the factors involved.

b. Item 1.d. - Camera Program Designations:

(1) To insure complete agree: nt throughout the program in designating the various terms used in camera programming various ideas were examined. After some discussion it was agreed that the designators finally selected would appear in the glossery of the new reports control menual. This action will guarantee that all interested parties are using the same designators whenever required.

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6. Item 1.e. - Proper Exposure Illuminations

- (1) With the desire to add new inclination angles to the program the problem of correct exposure illumination must be given additional study if the greatest use of according and descending passes are to be made.
- (2) A meeting between myself, Mr. Landshi and his steff was held on 29 Jaminy 1962. It was agreed that an additional briefing would be held on 30 Jaminny to examine this problem in detail. This briefing was held with the manufacture of MPIC, in attendance. They requested additional time to study this problem.
- (3) On 5 Petrusry during a short visit of Li. Colonel Murphy to Hondquarters, the joined us in a discussion of this problem and an agreement of using seven degrees as a minimum and 15 degrees as the optimum sun angles for future mission planning was reached.

d. Item 1.f. - Additional Communications Facilities at SIC:

(1) Past thinking on this subject was revised with previous positions being maintained. The center of the problem rotates around the evaluation of the security risk against operational requirements. At this time a statement regarding the security risk (heavy, severe, moderate, or slight) is not available. Until this evaluation is made a trade off between it and the operational needs cannot be made. I therefore recommend the Security Branch provide an evaluation of the situation. Then a decision be made to install or cancel the plane for an additional communications facility at the STC.

in order that the appropriate staff agencies can be cognizent of them

a. Item 1. .. - Thin Based Films

(1) The adventages of having the film supply

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increased from the present 7,600 feet to 14,000 feet through the use of thin base film was exceeded.

(2) If this film were made available in the near future, great additional capability would be available to the operator on COROMA missions.

b. Item 1.h. - Transportation of the "N" Takes

(1) It. Colonel Murphy is having two type containers built for the transportation of the "N" take because a clear decision from headquarters had not been received.

c. Item 1.1. - Security Problems:

- (1) the security efficer discussed the following items during the visits
 - (a) The need for an additional agent during the summer months when the number of firings will place very heavy demands on his office.
 - (b) Copies of the Cover Story are not always available during a COROMA mission. Under emergency conditions they might be required.

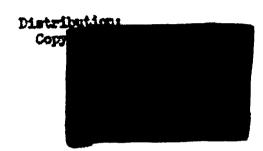
d. Item 1.j. - Heedquarters Symposiums

(1) A copy of the proposed agenda for a Symposius to be sponsored senetime in the future at headquarters was reviewed with Lookheed officials. The general feeling expressed is that this proposed falls short of the ideas expressed by Mr. Lundshl when he first presented it to Lt. Colonel Murphy and the undersigned several months ago. The headquarters proposal is more along the lines of a dog and pony show during which prime contractors will endeavor to solicit additional business. While there is a need for this type meeting plans for the more acphisticated symposium should be continued.

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5. In view of the great number of benefits achieved during this visit plans for additional meetings of a similar type, to be held approximately every two menths, were agreed upon.

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