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ATTN: COL WEBB

1. EXAMINATION OF THE NEW ORBIT FOR REF SHOWS SERIOUS GAPS OVER CUBA BEGINNING WITH DAY 5. THIS IS IN INCREASING AMOUNTS BETWEEN DAYS.
2. WE HAVE RECHECKED OUR WORK AND WITHIN OUR LIMITED ORBITAL KNOWLEDGE ARE UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM OTHER THAN ONE OF INCREASING DECAY FACTOR.
3. IN YOUR OPINION CAN THIS DEFICIENCY BE OVERCOME? WOULD IT BE WORTH THE EFFORT TO HAVE YOU RECHECK THE ORBITAL ELEMENTS AND WE THEN COULD HAVE ANOTHER COMPUTER RUN MADE?
4. ANXIOUSLY AWAITING YOUR COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS.

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END OF MESSAGE

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