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Mapping Satellite Proposal (Project Salaam) (U)

1. You may recall a briefing at this Headquarters on 26 September 1958 given by the General Electric, Autonetric and Bulova team on their Mapping Satellite Proposal called Project Salaam. The proposal looks very good from a reconnaissance standpoint and has the potential of tying all map data together very accurately and of locating targets with a high degree of precision.

2. The team representatives briefed ARPA on this proposal on 14 October 1958. They are scheduled also to give their briefing to AFIRD on 22 October and to WADC on 28 October. ARDC Missile Guidance, Bombing and Navigation people will attend both briefings. At this time, ideas for other uses of the system can be exchanged between Autonetric and the Air Force engineers as suggested in [Redacted] letter. (Incl. 2)

3. ARDC is scheduled to complete a technical evaluation of the Salaam proposal by approximately 1 December 1958 at which time results and recommendations will be presented to this Headquarters. Further Air Force action regarding possible support of the Salaam Project to satisfy OMB #80 dated 26 September 1958 for a Satellite Reconnaissance Weapon System is contingent upon the results of the ARDC technical evaluation and certain development responsibility decisions to be made by the ARPA.

RECOMMENDATION

1. It is recommended that the attached letter to [Redacted] be signed.

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1. Proposed ltr to [Redacted]
2. Cy ltr fr [Redacted] 29 Sep 58

/s/ [Redacted] USAF
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