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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Review of GEMINI 5 Photography

At the request of Mr. Nesbitt (Outer Space Affairs, Office of International Scientific and Technological Affairs, State Department) Colonel Worthman and I visited State on 15 September 1965 to meet with Ambassador Thompson to discuss State's position on the releasability of the photographs of foreign territory exposed under DOD Experiment D-6, GEMINI Flight 5.

Also in attendance:

Mr. L. Meeker State Department representative

to Legal Subcommittee, UN Committee on Peaceful Uses

of Outer Space

Mr. Nesbitt Outer Space Affairs, State

Department

Mr. Halsted Intelligence & Research, State

Department

Following a very brief discussion of geographical location, content, and quality. Ambassador Thompson asked if any like photographic experiments were planned for GEMINI 6 and 7 in a follow-on sense. We advised that no photographic experiments of a D-6 nature were planned.

Ambassador Thompson indicated that he saw no reason why the photographs in question should be released in light of the information presented. Mr. Meeker concurred in this decision and indicated he particularly saw no need for having available copies of these photographs during the sessions of the Legal Subcommittee of the UN Outer Space Committee commencing in New York on 20 September.

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