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FROM DR. MCLUCAS TO [REDACTED]

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IT HAS BEEN REPORTED TO ME THAT THE FAILURE OF VEHICLE 4335 TO ACHIEVE ORBIT RESULTED FROM AN UNSTABLE AGENA STAGE. THIS WAS THE SECOND FAILURE OF AN AGENA IN THE PAST FOUR MONTHS. I AM GRAVELY DISTURBED AT THIS INOPPORTUNE LOSS OF A VALUABLE RECONNAISSANCE VEHICLE ON THE EVE OF THE POSSIBLE SIGNING OF SALT AGREEMENTS. THE LOSS TO THE NATION IS SIGNIFICANT. I CANNOT EMPHASIZE TO YOU STRONGLY ENOUGH THE NEED TO PRECLUDE ANY FUTURE OCCURRENCES OF THIS NATURE. I LOOK TO YOU PERSONALLY TO INTRODUCE AND ENFORCE REMEDIAL MEASURES

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IN ORDER THAT THE PRESENTLY UNACCEPTABLE PERFORMANCE BE RESTORED TO PAST LEVELS.

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