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MEMORANDUM

January 20, 1975

NOTE FOR MR. COHEN

The attached document is returned for your retention.

HAROLD S. COYLE, JR. Lt Colonel, USAF Deputy Director for Plans and Policy NRO Staff

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TO: Bud Coyle

26 December 1974

Here is an example of documentation that we will be providing to the STS. This Interfaced Requirement Spec is for HEXAGON. I suspect there will be others on load factors, etc. etc. The point is that we will be providing NASA through SAMSO pretty detailed perameters about HEX at the unclassified and Secret level. This will further erode what's left of the security of the program.

We have been providing similar data to SAMSO booster people. However, we have the distribution and reproduction controlled. I do not believe we can do the same here because of the management interfaces in STS.

I would like your thoughts prior to release. There is pressure to release this now and I'm taking some chaff but I think you all should see the rough future we face before I take this first step in releasing formal documentation.

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MEMORANDUM

June 27, 1974

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I talked to General Stelling and received his agreement that we should not become directly involved in a consolidated study on future uses of the Shuttle. General Stelling and I then talked to Colonel Sparkman and the current thinking is that Sparkman will discuss the idea of merging General Phillips' proposed study and Mr. Plummer's tasking to the Air Staff into one effort. We would not be expected to participate in such a consolidated study except to remain cognizant of the study and if the need arises to initiate parallel efforts which SP and ODE would do. Stelling agrees that AFRDS should be a buffer between AFSC Headquarters and our Staff. Sparkman said that he will contact you following his session with the AFSC people to apprise you of what they discussed. I emphasized that our participation would be at the pleasure of Mr. Plummer and not of Colonel Dunn or General Phillips. I hope this helps you sort out your dilemma.

HAROLD S. COYLE, JR. Lt Colonel, USAF

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