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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Charles Murphy, NRO

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SUBJECT

: HEXAGON Planning Software Recommendations

- 1. In light of the recent EXCOM decision, ODGE has reassessed the existing plan to develop new HEXAGON planning software (HAMPER/LL). It is our assessment that the HAMPER/LL program will be of marginal utility in a one mission per year era.
- 2. It is my recommendation that the HAMPER/LL development effort and related efforts be discontinued, and funds budgeted for these efforts be returned to the NRO. Some contractor effort will be required for maintenance of the existing HEXAGON mission planning software.
- 3. The exact figures on how much of the FY 1975 HAMPER/LL-related funds are recoverable cannot be established at this time. It is expected that this figure is approximately \$400K in the Operational Software and Statistical Prediction Studies line items. Exact figures will be forwarded to you when they are available.
- 4. It is recommended that the HEXAGON Software Working Group continue to exist, but with goal of coordinating and improving the existing planning and targeting software and procedures.

Director, Systems Analysis Group Office of Development and Engineering

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