



June 20, 1969



MEMORANDUM FOR DR. MC LUCAS

SUBJECT: Minutes of HEXAGON Portion of the ExCom Meeting of June 20, 1969

### Members Present

Mr. David Packard

Mr. Richard Helms

Deputy Secretary of Defense

Director of Central Intelligence

Dr. Lee A. DuBridge

Science Advisor to the President

# Others Present

Dr. John L. McLucas

Director, National Reconnaissance

Office, Ex Officio

Dr. John S. Foster, Jr.

DDR&E

Dr. F. Robert Naka

Chairman, HEXAGON Review Committee HEXAGON Review Committee (SAFSP) HEXAGON Review Committee (OSP/CIA)

## Briefing

Dr. Naka briefed the recommendations from the Committee's review:

- 1. Fund HEXAGON to meet the December 1970 initial launch date.
  - 2. Revise the CORONA schedule to

FY 1970 - 5

FY 1971 - 5

FY 1972 - 2

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3. Review in December 1969 the need for additional CORONA procurements.

Vugraphs used for the HEXAGON Review Committee's briefing are attached.

# Conclusions

The Review Committee's recommendations were accepted. In addition, Perkin-Elmer was to be impressed with the need for cost control.

### Discussion

Mr. Packard was upset by the apparent inability of the contractors and Government to project funding requirements. However, he felt that the funds must be found and without approaching Congress. Dr. DuBridge felt that the total program costs would rise if the program were either slipped or accelerated. Dr. Foster said that it was necessary to fund the program to insure intelligence collection. Mr. Helms indicated he would review management controls.

Dr. McLucas pointed out how some of the \$64M shortage could be met: GAMBIT had underrun \$30M in FY 1969, and the SI camera would not be accelerated. He also suggested that Admiral Nimitz be alerted to the need for cost controls.

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F. Robert Naka Chairman HEXAGON Review Committee

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