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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Task Items from the Program A Review

The following is a summary of the task items for NRO Staff and SP that resulted from the 25 May discussions concerning Program A's programs:

- Fund Growth - The subject of cost growth in the support are [REDACTED] discussed in detail. SP noted the primary costs were in the O&M and technical services areas. However, the percent use of the support has grown proportionately. For example, in the period [REDACTED] 84 the percent of hours used by SAF/SP ranged between [REDACTED] percent. Mr. Hill discussed with SP what programs use the [REDACTED] hours for support. They provided the following information: [REDACTED] required up to [REDACTED] per year support time and [REDACTED] require [REDACTED] period. [REDACTED] noted that he was surprised at these numbers [REDACTED] that the NRO Staff had been viewing [REDACTED] support hours as a decreasing demand usage while the costs were going up. The task for SP was to break out support hours required for each program for the FY 81 budget. He indicated that for FY 80 the program should stand as it is but that we were experiencing increasing difficulty to sell support dollars for FY 81 and that we needed to tie the scope of increased cost to the use of individual programs.

- Discussions concerning the SSCI and HPSCI mark-ups - Mr. Hill outlined the specific tasking from the committees and requested that SP lay out reasonable alternatives to pursue as backups for systems scheduled [REDACTED] SP should submit a list of recommended alternatives [REDACTED] specific tasking for SP was to look at the current mission model and determine cost and potential launch schedule if we are forced to use [REDACTED]

- Titan/Centaur Pad - Dr. Mark asked SP to determine the status of the Titan/Centaur Pad Complex at the ETR and specify what it would take to use it to support the [REDACTED] launch in early [REDACTED]

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