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MEMORANDUM FOR The Deputy Director, NRO

SUBJECT: NRO Use of CIA Contracting Authority

As a matter of general policy, I consider that there are three reasons which support NRO use of CIA contracting authority for projects and/or tasks other than those for which technical management responsibility is assigned to the Director, NRO Program B. These uses are:

a. To provide essential security to NRO matters which can not be provided otherwise.

b. To provide speed of response not obtainable through Department of Defense contractual channels by utilization of existing CIA contracts in cases of overriding urgency (such as emergency purchase of film, etc.).

c. To obtain significant savings to the government, or significant improvement in management, by utilization of such contracting authority in joint CIA-DCD procurement actions in support of the NRO.

I shall expect generally to follow this policy in making assignments of such NRO contracting tasks.

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