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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL PORD, SAFEP.

SUBJECT: Organization and Functions of the 6594th Test Group

You will recall Colonel Worthman's note of 32 September 1965, concerning the appearance of rather specific statements on the mission and activities of the 65934 Test Squadron in an unclassified volume entitled "AFSC Technical Facility Summary."

We have just received a copy of a more recent (2 February 88) AFSC volume (FOUO) entitled "Organization and Functions Chart Book, AF Satellite Control Facility" (RCS: 1-AFSC-03). While this volume contains numerous general references to the "recovery" activities of the AFSCF, we have found several more specific references to the "recovery of capsules ejected from space orbiting satellites" in the mission descriptions for the 6594th Test Group and its subordinate element — the 8593rd Test Squadron (Special) (copies attached). These latter references are particularly offensive. We feel that the continued use of such statements in "unclassified" publications could result in serious problems on our part — particularly in light of White House and CIA sensitivity on this issue.

We would appreciate your discussing this matter again with Colonel Bumm.

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