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NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE NRO STAFF

June 29, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL ALLEN

SUBJECT: Significant Events and Actions

We have prepared for your review the attached summary of significant events and actions which occurred in our area while you were away. Details about each item are included in the Tabs, as noted in the summary.

I will be glad to provide any further information or clarification that you may desire.

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GORDON BASS
Major, USAF

Attachment

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TAGBOARD

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SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND ACTIONS

JUNE 13-27, 1970

Review of ERTS A&B Contract Proposals. In conjunction with [REDACTED] reviewed the proposals submitted to NASA by GE and TRW. We found no discrepancies in the TRW documentation. The GE documentation contained several items which bothered us. We are working with Mr. Krueger to resolve those problems. The NASA Source Evaluation Board will make its recommendations to Dr. Paine on July 1. (See TAB A).

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Meeting of SACC. [REDACTED] advised that Mr. Jaffe has requested a meeting of the SACC for Wednesday, July 1. There are two agenda items: 1) the relaxed guidelines; and 2) a program document on Earth Resources Satellites prepared by NASA for the UN.

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Historical Coverage of the NRP. There has not been any progress in negotiations to arrange for the services of an historian. (See TAB F).

Personal Services Contract with [REDACTED] Dr. McLucas signed the "Determinations and Findings" and "Waiver of Certain Requirements under AFR 25-4" to authorize SAFSP to renew their contract with [REDACTED] (See TAB G).

Personal Services Contract with Mr. Amrom Katz. Dr. McLucas signed the "Determinations and Findings" and "Waiver of Certain Requirements under AFR 25-4" to authorize SAFSP to contract with Mr. Katz. Mr. Katz is tentatively scheduled to begin his two week consultancy in our office on July 6. (See TAB H).

CDIP Review. Admiral Bowen has announced the OSD review of the Consolidated Defense Intelligence Program (CDIP) for Calendar Year 1970. We were not an addressee on Admiral Bowen's letter. However, Dr. Naka indicated on June 26 that he had received a verbal invitation from Admiral Bowen. Dr. Naka feels that we (NRO) ought to be there. He said that he probably would attend, together with you and [REDACTED] (See TAB I).

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ACDA [REDACTED] Interface with NRO. [REDACTED] has asked us to support a quick reaction task that ACDA is levying upon

[REDACTED] I discussed this at length with [REDACTED] on June 23 and told him that we would take the matter under consideration. I quoted ACDA's proposal in a message to Colonel [REDACTED] and asked for comments from his end. Dr. Naka feels that we should do this task in-house. (See TAB J).

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Status of TAGBOARD Launch. Last week the State Department expressed its objection to Dr. Kissinger about the pending TAGBOARD mission. On Saturday, June 20, the JRC directed SAC to hold and not to execute until further advised. We (SS-4) did not receive a copy of that message until Wednesday, June 24. The 40 Committee was scheduled to discuss this item at its meeting at San Clemente on Saturday, June 27. This instance is another manifestation of what I understand are two perennial problems: 1) a serious delay in lateral communications flow into our system; and 2) unilateral actions by JRC, cutting us out of the loop. I am preparing a memorandum, separate from this summary, to address this matter and its attendant problems.

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UN Registry Report for the Month of May. On June 26, we coordinated on the DDR&E report to the UN of space objects launched during May. This report included our launch on May 20. All was in good order.

Semiannual Report to the PFIAB. Work is progressing well on the PFIAB Report, and we expect to have the final document completed by July 10.

Director's Report for the ExCom. We expect to receive [REDACTED] inputs early this week and will proceed with preparation of the Director's Report. We expect to have it completed on or before July 10.