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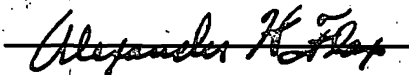
MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NRO PROGRAM C

SUBJECT: POPPY Digitizer for [] Ground Station

Your previous request within the FY-69 budget submission to convert the POPPY ground station at [] from an analog to a digital intercept facility was denied on the basis that there was insufficient justification.

As a result of the supporting arguments cited by your office and the National Security Agency in the reassessment of this request by the NRO Staff and the NRO Comptroller, I am satisfied that increased system effectiveness and overall long range economies will be achieved by the proposed conversion of []. Accordingly, this authorizes you to proceed immediately with the procurement and installation of the [] digitizer, at an FY-1969 cost of [].

The NRO Comptroller will notify the Director, Program A, of this approval, and funds will be furnished in the normal manner.



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