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From: Chief, Bureau of Naval Weapons
To: Director
Naval Research Laboratory
Washington 25, D. C.

Subj: COMPOSITE I Public Information Policy; information concerning (U)

1. The Bureau of Naval Weapons desires at this time to establish certain guidelines and responsibilities for public information regarding the pending COMPOSITE I launch operation. COMPOSITE I, under management of BuWeps, will accomplish the simultaneous orbiting of five payloads (SOLAR RADIATION IV, LOFTI II, SECOR, INJUN II and SURCAL I) representing a variety of sponsoring agencies. The scheduled date for launch is 12 Dec 1961.

2. The Naval Research Laboratory has been assigned overall technical responsibility for the COMPOSITE I payload and it is requested that, in addition, the Laboratory assume responsibility for those public information requirements involving the COMPOSITE I payload which will arise during the course of this operation. To this end, the following apply:

- a. The exact date of launch is classified Confidential.
- b. There will be no public release of information regarding the COMPOSITE I ~~operation~~ prior to launch operation.
- c. All proposed releases must be submitted to the Bureau of Naval Weapons Technical Information Office (DLI-2) for review and approval prior to release.
- d. A proposed press kit, with appropriate photographs, is required to be submitted to BuWeps, Code DLI, not later than four weeks prior to the scheduled launch date. Ten copies, suitable in content and format for use in the preparation of unclassified Department of Defense Information Plans, are required.
- e. Post-launch press conferences are to be coordinated with the Bureau, DLI-2 and DSC-4, and are to be recorded by a Navy controlled tape recorder or other form of recording.

3. It is suggested that coordination with the other agencies and organizations involved be effected at an early date to assure that public information requirements will be met on a timely schedule.

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Project GRAB Mission Tasking; forwarding of (U)

Ref: (a) PONECON [] and Mr. STRUVE of 16 August 1961

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following information regarding Missions tasked to date and participating units therein, are submitted:

MISSION

224	X	X	X	X		X	X
226		X	X	X	X	X	X
228		X	X			X	X
252	X	X	X	X			X
254		X	X		X	X	X
256		X	X			X	X
280		X	X	X	X		X
282		X	X		X	X	X
284		X	X				X
334	X	X	X	X		X	X
336		X	X	X	X	X	X
338		X	X			X	X
362		X	X	X			X
364		X	X		X	X	X
366		X	X			X	X
390	X	X	X	X	X		X
392		X	X		X	X	X
394		X	X				X
417		X	X	X			X
419		X	X		X	X	X
421		X	X			X	X
444	X	X	X	X			X
446		X	X	X	X	X	X
449		X	X				X
491		X	X				
540	X	X		X			X
541		X		X	X		
542		X		X	X		
543		X			X	X	X
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636	X	X		X			X
650	X	X	X	X			X
651		X	X	X	X		
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