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From: Manager, Program C
To: Director, Naval Research Laboratory

Subj: POPPY Budget Planning

Encl: (1) NRO letter BYE 12586-70 of 13 February 1970

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded. It is requested that the required estimates be prepared and forwarded to the Director, Program C by 6 April 1970.

2. Meetings will be scheduled as required to consider some aspects of the planning, such as paragraphs C and D of Enclosure (1).

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February 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, PROGRAM C

SUBJECT: FY 1971 Financial Program/FY 1972 Budget Recommendations

Guidance for the formulation of FY 1971 Financial Program and FY 1972 Budget recommendations for the NRL portion of the POPPY program is contained in the attachment.

The review of your recommendations will be accomplished in my office, as in the past, in the May-June 1970 time period, and an FY 1971 financial program approval will be issued by late-June 1970.

Signed

JOHN L. McLUCAS
Director

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A. The next vehicle to be launched (7107) is to be based on a 24 month separation from 7106, four balls; [] and using Thorad/Agena. However, starting with vehicle 7108, high-cost problems are expected if the Thorad booster were used, in view of the expected ending of other programs using this booster. Accordingly, SAFSP (Director A) has been charged with developing options for a POPPY program at reasonable cost in the future, working with the Director C organization.

B. Cost estimates for each of FY 1971 and 1972 are to distinguish between payload applicability (7106, 7107, []), and to be in requirements detail similar to that furnished in the past. These detailed estimates are to be submitted in three copies (one each to the DNRO, NRO Comptroller, and NRO Staff) by 4 May 1970. Also, the total cost estimates for any options developed with SAFSP are to be furnished to SAFSP by 17 April 70.

C. In the event expansion or changes in field site collection facilities is recommended, specific justification will be required.

D. Any proposed requirements not heretofore approved by the DNRO are to be specifically identified and justified, including future year cost implications thru FY 1976.

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