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I---PREPARATIONS FOR ADM. Zumwalt-Dr. McLUCAS Meeting Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>

A- Capt Geiger has recently seen CNO

a- CNO Viewed with satisfaction the progress reported in the processing and spacecraft concept arenas

b- CNO Raised the question of what contingency plan for Catastrophic Loss of Mission 7107 after Thanksgiving.

This is the same general question that [ ] asked in our briefing for the NRO on 8 March when we gave our concepts...  
"What does the QRC, (Smaller Pair aboard the SCOUT) cost the NRO?"

B- At this time We here at NRL are preparing a cost and development-time estimate for CAPT GEIGER for ADM ZUMWALT'S use Saturday.

1- The time frame of APPROVAL and the degree of URGENCY will both effect the manner in which we respond, technically.

2- If Approval to purchase and develop a pair of smaller spacecraft for flight aboard a SCOUT, is forthcoming around July

3- However if approval to proceed is not recieved until a month before or a month after Failure of 7107

a-Urgency is at a premium and the technical route taken would minimize response-time and not cost risk...resulting in

1- mod existing structure design rather than develop a new one.

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