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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE STAFF

SUBJ: Management Agreement for the POPPY System

ENCL: (1) Draft "Management Agreement for the POPPY System"

1. At a working conference on 26 May, representatives of NSA, NRL, NSG, and Program C reviewed an NRO initiated management agreement for the POPPY system. In general, the working group concurred with the agreement. Some changes were made, and the revised agreement is forwarded as Enclosure (1). In addition to Program C approval, the draft had been approved by the following representatives at the working conference:

Mr. Howard Lorenzen, NRL

NSA

Cdr Lloyd McGraw, NSG

Mr. Charles Clark, CIA (Separately concurred with the draft)

- 2. Specific responsibilities in support of the POPPY system have been separated from the management agreement. This was done because it was considered inappropriate to burden the signatories of the management agreement with detail. Specific responsibilities were agreed to at the working conference and will be promulgated under separate cover, following promulgation of the management agreement.
- 3. If you concur with Enclosure (1) and if you so desire, I will be happy to secure the required Navy signature.

ROBERT K. GETGER

Captain, USN

Director, Program C

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NRO/NSA/CIA/USN MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE POPPY SYSTEM

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agreement is to define the organizational responsibilities and the lines of authority associated with the management of the POPPY System Project.

II. BACKGROUND:

The Navy Space Project (PM-16) was established by the Chief of Naval Operations under the Chief of Naval Material. The Manager, Navy Space Project, is also the Director of NRO Program C. As the Director, Program C, he is supported by elements of the National Security Agency, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the United States Navy in fulfilling his responsibilities under the National Reconnaissance Program.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Director, Program C, is responsible to the Director, National Reconnaissance Office, for the overall management of the POPPY Project. The Director, National Security Agency, is responsible for the processing, analysis, and reporting of POPPY collected data. The Director, Central Intelligence Agency,

The Director, Naval Research Laboratory, is responsible to the Director, Program C, for the engineering and technical support in the design, development, fabrication, test, and on-orbit operation of the system. The Commander, Naval Security Group Command, exercises for the Director, Program C, in-flight operational control of the POPPY system, executing the tasking directions of the NRO and processing priorities of NSA.

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