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IN REPLY REFER TO

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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Processing of POPPY Assets

1. A meeting was held at NSA on 21 September for the purpose of discussing future POPPY processing considerations. Those in attendance were:

NSA

NRL

PM-16

Mr. Mayo  
Mr. G. Price

2. In accordance with the August 1970 Ocean Surveillance Agreement, a single SEL 86 type will remain at each POPPY site. The merits of also keeping an SEL 810 at each site were questioned by NSA. NRL stated that it would be highly advantageous to retain the 810 for housekeeping and other mundane functions (for example, preparing the control programs for the automatic antenna trackers). The cost/personnel impact of maintaining two computers per site will be studied by PM-16.

3. NRL stated that the SEL 86-type computer will be able to do both realtime and after-the-fact technical processing with the proper software. Since NSA is <sup>not</sup> paying for the SEL 86, they expect more technical intelligence than they are now receiving. NSA will forward technical software requirements to NRL via PM-16. NSA desires to be on the software development team. NRL's efforts to date on the PDE Nix have not addressed technical data processing. NSA will fund software development at HRB to satisfy their requirements.

4. NSA is starting to take a very strong stand on their responsibility for POPPY processing. They admit being remiss in their support in the past. They realize their present inadequacies in the processing area, and in turn for funding of both soft- and hardware, they expect considerably more technical intelligence from the enhanced POPPY system.

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