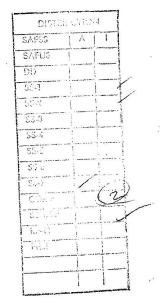
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SECRET 2027 DE AFR 75 CITE CHARGE 3400. PRIORITY WHIG. CONCERT. HANTLE VIA BYEMAN CHANNELS ONLY EARFOP WHIG FOR WHEELER/HILL; CONCERT FOR GENERAL ALLEN FROM: GENERAL BRADHURN SLEJECT: P-989 FINANCIAL PROGRAM/RAQUEL II START 1. I HAVE REVIEWED THE P-989 FY 1976 BASELINE BUDGET PROJECTIONS WHICH INCLUDE THE RAQUEL AND LASALA SYSTEMS AND URSALA OPERATIONAL ELINT OPTIONS. AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW, I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE RACLEL II COSTS TO THE P-989 PROGRAM AND THE IMPLIED LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO THE TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE MISSION TO AMORTIZE INVESTIMENT COSTS. 2. THE SYSTEM STUDY AND DEFINITION PHASE WE UNDER-TOOK ON RACLEL II REPRESENTED AN EXTREMELY WELL

PACE 2 CHARGE 3400 S E C R E T COORDINATED ACTION BETWEEN THE ARD STAFF, MSA AMO MY OWN ORGANIZATION. THE CONTRACTORS PROPOSAL AS A RESILT OF THIS STUDY WAS TECHNICAL PROPOSAL AS A RESULT OF THIS STUDY MAS TECHNICALLY SOUND AND THE COSTS ARE REALISTIC. HOWEVER. THE MAGNITUDE OF THESE CONSTS WILL IMPACT THE PROGRAM TO THE EXTENT THAT HE CANNOT UNDERTAKE ANY NEW SPACECRAFT STARTS IN FY 76 AND PLACE US IN DIFFICULT FY 76 FISCAL CONSTRAINTS. 3. IN VIEW OF THIS IMPACT AND THE POTENTIAL OPERATIONAL EL INT OPTIONS AVAILABLE BY NOT PROCEEDING MITH RAQUEL 11. I HAVE DELAYED THE START OF PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES FENDING A TOTAL PROGRAM PEVIEW AS A RESULT OF THE MAY BLOGET SURVISSION. I PLAN TO DISCUSS THIS WITH YOU DURING THE WEEK OF 7 APRIL. E-2 IMPDET SE CRET





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