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Honorable Alexander H. Flax Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Research and Development) Bepartment of the Air Force The Pentagon Washington, D. C. 20330

Dear Al:

Thank you for your memorandum of 1 December 1967. The action to decontrol the ITEK (-9) mapping camera is appreciated. I am confident that MASA can utilise this hardware within the constraints you outlined.

The debriefing of those persons holding UPWARD clearances is proceeding with fine assistance from Mr. Massa and Maj. Cohen of the NRO staff. By mid-January we hope to have completed the debriefing of all persons holding UPWARD (also GAMBIT) at Kennedy Space Center and Marshall Space Flight Center.

These will be about 16 people at Manned Spacecraft Center and a number in Headquarters who will retain their UFWARD clearances. This is necessary until the LMSS program termination is completed. At that time a determination will be made as to which key people will be required to remain in the BYEMAN system and the remainder will be debriefed.

Sincerely,

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