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May 5, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. McLUCAS

SUBJECT: MOL Management

Reference is your April 24, 1969 memorandum to Dr. Seamans, Same subject.

May I respectfully suggest that you invite Jim Stewart to your proposed review with Dr. Seamans and Mr. Hansen. I make my suggestion only because MOL has gone through some very emotional and stormy periods, especially at Program start-up, regards its management. Jim is familiar with these periods and I believe could be helpful in your review.

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Brigadier General, USAF  
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. SEAMANS

SUBJECT: MOL Management

Assuming that Messrs. Laird and Packard hold to their position that MOL should continue as is, then we ought to resolve the question of MOL management vis-a-vis SAFRD and SAFUS.

I recommend that, so far as the public is concerned, MOL remain as a program managed out of the Office of the Secretary under the direction of the SAFRD. He would defend the program before Congress.

Actually, the management direction would come from SAFUS, with specific subsystem work delegated to SAFRD. Initially, SAFUS would have overall and complete system responsibility. General Jim Stewart would report to SAFUS.

If there is a change in MOL, such as development of payload only, then SAFUS would be completely responsible including justification to Congress.

I think we should sit down with Grant Hansen and review this situation soon.

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