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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

24 Oct 1962

SUBJECT: Camera Calibration Case ~~██████████~~ HANDLE VIA ~~██████████~~

~~CONTROL SYSTEM ONLY~~

1. Dr. Charyk's letter in response to ~~██████████~~ offer of the services of the Ballistics Measurement Laboratory for calibration of certain cameras was discussed with ~~██████████~~ and ~~██████████~~ on 24 October along with my previous memorandum, same subject, concerning ~~██████████~~ reaction.
2. After considerable discussion it was agreed that there is little possibility of being able to prove that the ACIC system for calibration is inadequate, the standard set by ~~██████████~~ for any possible reclama. It was further agreed that the decision was unquestionably made on grounds other than the desire to do the best possible job and that in general the responsibility is not worth fighting for as it pertains to this particular camera system. In this respect, ~~██████████~~ feels very strongly that the lenses being used are so far from the precision type that possibly calibration was not even worth doing any way. It was agreed that the Army could afford to concentrate their effort on calibration of more sophisticated and precise cartographic cameras systems to include those used in conventional mapping as well as any future satellite systems.
3. It is recommended that no further action be taken on this case through codeword channels at this time. ~~██████████~~ will investigate through their working contacts with Wright Field the establishment of the Army's responsibility for camera calibrations in the conventional cartographic cameras.

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