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18 August 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Security Staff, OSA

ATTENTION : [redacted]

SUBJECT : APOLLO Lunar Photographic System Effort
Carried on at Itek Corporation

REFERENCE : Memorandum dated 23 July 1965 from
[redacted]

1. We appreciate being advised of the information contained in reference memorandum. We do concur in the potential security implications of any effort at Itek involving a 24-inch focal length camera system. We should also remain alert to the strong possibility that any 24-inch system produced by Itek, even though not of the specific CORONA configuration, might permit the compromise of the photographic technology which the CORONA Program possesses. We, therefore, request that your Staff and [redacted] remain alert to the activities at Itek and, in general, be aware that any NASA camera program is a potential threat to the security of the satellite photographic technology.

2. There, of course, remains the added question of whether or not this Agency can and should do anything about it. It is requested that you consider this problem specifically and in general and keep this Staff advised.

(Signed)

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