

COORDINATION SHEET

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SUBJECT Mandatory Declassification Review, Case Number E01-0011	24 May 2001
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SUMMARY
BACKGROUND: The NRO Historian has requested the attached NRO History (Management of the National Reconnaissance Program 1960-1965) be reviewed for declassifying as much information as possible that had been deleted from its earlier printing. The Information Declassification Review Center (IDRC) has applied the NRO Review and Redaction Guide for 25-Year-Old Information (RRG) as last updated on 27 March 2001.

DISCUSSION:

- Handwritten, red text within the document represents the previously deleted information which the Historian Office desires to be declassified. Such text highlighted in red is designated for continued redaction per the RRG and can be found at the pages with red-tabs. All other handwritten, red text is recommended for release.
- Please note that attached to this coordination sheet is a list of names in the document recommended for release. These names currently are not authorized for release per the RRG. However, IDRC believes the overall imperative for protecting these people's association with the NRO either appears no longer applicable given recent policy decisions, or staffing is already underway to adjudicate the release of their names. IDRC requests OS concurrence not only on the recommended release of these names with the intended reprint of this document, but also specific authority for IDRC to immediately incorporate them as releasable in the RRG.

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See page 36 of the main body RE our recommendation to release the codewords CENTURY and MBRELLA.

Note that we also have included four attachments to the history document (orange tabs). These attachments contain retreated documents that are to be inserted in the main body (orange tab 1), or are re-treatments of documents that were included as Appendixes with the original publication. Text identified by IDRC for continued redaction is marked by gray highlight.

Please indicate your concurrence by returning your signed coordination sheet and the action document to IDRC. If you disagree with hand-written text recommended for declassification, please circle that text in red. Strike through any name on the attached list if you non concur with its release.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact



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Attachments

.. Names From Perry History (Vol V) Proposed for Release

1. Marked up NRO History Document, Management of the National Reconnaissance Program, 1960-1965

1/ 4 attachments

WHEN SEPARATED FROM ITS ATTACHMENTS
THIS COORDINATION SHEET IS UNCLASSIFIED

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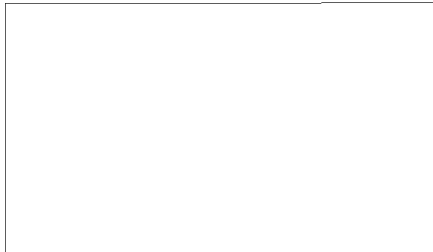
RE: ~~RRG~~ Case E01-0011

I agree with the release of Perry "NRO History, Management of the NRP 1960-1965. The IDRC release of individual and corporate names and the redaction of others is done in a rational manner. i.e., redaction of the names when a system being discussed is still classified.

I concur on the release of the names of the individual names on the attached sheet (which are also released in the document and the attached picture (tab 1) of the original NRO staff.) These names are of personnel assigned to SFASS which has now been declassified to include names of staff members.

I also concur in the release as redacted of the historical documents (tabs 2-4).

Recommend you sign the coordination sheet and I will get it back to the IDRC.



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**Names From Perry History (Vol V)
Proposed for Release**

Berg, R. A. Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 116, footnote citation 36. Listed as Deputy Director, SAFSP. Later became Director, SAFSS. The DNRO recently declassified names of all SAFSS Directors.

Carter, D. L. Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 122, footnote citation 110. Carter is cited as a member of the NRO Staff. The DNRO recently declassified several facts about the SAFSS association with the NRO. One of these declassified facts strongly implies that any individual who served on the NRO staff can be acknowledged as long as there is no connection to still-classified activities. There is no classified context associated with Col Carter in this document.

Curtin, Richard M. Brig Gen, USAF. Rationale: Curtin was the first Director, SAFSS (NRO Staff). The DNRO recently declassified all the names of the SAFSS Directors.

Donovan, A. F. Rationale: See page 61, footnote at bottom of the page. Mr. Donovan is mentioned in the context of being a member of the Purcell Panel. In this regard, his association with the NRO appears indirect and nonsensitive.

✓ Gorman, Frank B. CAPT, USN. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

Heran, Paul Col, USAF. Rationale: See pages 68, 99, and 100. The general association with the NRO and the specific context of this individual's association with NRO programs at the page references no longer appear sensitive.

✓ Herron, T. J., Lt Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

✓ Howard, Henry C. Maj, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

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- ✓ Istvan, Edwin J. Lt Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.
- ✓ James, Clifton E. Maj, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.
- Leach, (NFI) Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 118, footnote citations 53, 54, and 62. Leach is cited as a member of SAFSP. SAFSP's role in the NRO and general facts about it have been declassified. Time appears to have diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" association of this individual with the now declassified SAFSP.
- ✓ Linz D. P. Rationale: Rationale: See page 61, footnote at bottom of the page. Mr. Linz is mentioned in the context of being a member of the Purcell Panel. In this regard, his association with the NRO appears indirect and nonsensitive.
- ✓ Lisciotti, Francis L. Capt, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.
- ✓ Pietz, John Maj, USAF. Rationale: See page 115, footnote 17. Pietz is cited as a staff member of SAFSP. SAFSP's role in the NRO and several general facts about it have been declassified. Time appears to have diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" association of this individual with the now declassified SAFSP.
- ✓ Ruebel, J. H., Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 41 and page 116, footnote 36. Reubel is cited as a staff member of SAFSP. SAFSP's role in the NRO and several general facts about it have been declassified. Time appears to have diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" association of this individual with the now declassified SAFSP.
- ✓ Ruzeck, Charles COL, USA. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO

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association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

Seay, J. S. Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 123, footnote 110. Seay is cited as a staff member of SAFSP. SAFSP's role in the NRO and several general facts about it have been declassified. Time appears to have diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" association of this individual with the now declassified SAFSP.

Sides, Jack Lt Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

Sinex, Charles H. Lt Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

Stewart, James T. Brig Gen, USAF. Rationale: Stewart was a Director, SAFSS (NRO Staff). The DNRO recently declassified all the names of the SAFSS Directors.

Truax, R. C. CAPT, USN. Rationale: See page 7. In addition to the context here, Truax was an original member of the Air Force WS-117L staff and later SAFSP. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the role of this early contributor to the development of reconnaissance satellites.

Van Mater, Robert A. Lt Col, USAF. Rationale: See page 38. Time has diluted any sensitivity surrounding the "fact of" NRO association of this initial member of the now declassified SAFSS.

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