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FOR: [] /J. HILL/D. WALKER (b)(1)
FROM: [] N. LINDSAY (b)(3)
SUBJ: SECURE LAUNCH OPERATIONS UNDER START
REF: [] CITE 0897, 8 JUN 89

1. PER YOUR REQUEST IN REF. MESSAGE, WE HAVE COMPLETED THE REVIEW OF OUR LAUNCH OPERATIONS TO DETERMINE WHAT IMPACT A START TREATY COULD HAVE ON THEM. THE RESULTS INDICATE WE COULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS DEPENDING ON HOW THE TREATY IS FINALLY NEGOTIATED. AS A RESULT, THE FINAL REPORT WILL PRESENT SOME OPTIONS, DESIGNED TO PROTECT NRO INTERESTS, FOR THE NEGOTIATING TEAM TO USE. MY PROJECT OFFICER, [] IS AVAILABLE TO BRIEF THESE RESULTS TO YOU AND HE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDING BRIEFINGS TO PROGRAMS B AND C.

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2. ANOTHER MAJOR ISSUE WE NEED TO CONSIDER IS THE VULNERABILITY OF OUR CONTRACTORS WHO BUILD BOTH NRO HARDWARE SYSTEMS AND POSSIBLE TREATY INVOLVED ITEMS AT THE SAME FACILITY.

[] COME TO MIND AS ORGANIZATIONS THAT COULD, AGAIN DEPENDING ON HOW THE TREATY IS FINALLY NEGOTIATED, BE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION FOR THEIR NON-NRO WORK. THE CO-MINGLING OF NRO AND NON-NRO PROGRAMS AT BOTH CONTRACTOR AND GOVERNMENT FACILITIES COULD LEAVE US WIDE OPEN IF PROPER PRECAUTIONS ARE NOT TAKEN.

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