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SUGGESTIONS FOR A CONVERSATION WITH DON STEININGER

1. The paper he has written is a reasonably accurate and fair account of the history of satellite reconnaissance policy.
2. It is probably good staff work to pass most of the paper to Dr. DuBridge. By "most" of the paper, we mean pages 1 through 11.
3. Pages 12, 13 and 14 should be replaced by a short section which states that these problems have been discussed almost daily by DOD and NASA representatives and that, because of these issues, a major committee has been set up by the two agencies to work out differences. The Manned Space Flight Policy Committee has done excellent work in carrying out this function and, through its Survey Applications Coordinating Committee, is now discussing what steps should be taken to adjust basic security guidelines. We should hear from both DOD and NASA regarding the outcome of these discussions very soon.
4. The last thing in the world we should do is to burden ExCom with this issue. It is the wrong forum (NASA is not even represented) and, if addressed, could easily find for stricter guidelines. We will resist the introduction of this subject into ExCom and do not feel Dr. DuBridge should be embarrassed by being the spokesman for such a venture.

*Memo for Record -
Steininger wrote the attached paper in April 1969; even though we urged him not to (the NSFPC + SPCC was already working on the issue). On 5 May, Colonel Allen discussed the paper with Steininger and hoped he had convinced him that it was superfluous.*

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5. We would appreciate the opportunity to brief Dr. DuBridge on the NRP, NRP Policies, and NRP-NASA Relationships. Our previous requests to Don regarding this have brought no response. Can he help us now?



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