MEMORANDUM FOR NRO STAFF

SUBJECT: ExCom Meeting

For your information, approximately two more meetings with Dr. McLucas are scheduled—one for 4 November at 1400 and the last on either the 9th or 10th, depending upon the arrival of certain data to be fed into the meeting on 9/10 November. At the meeting on 9/10 November, options will be presented.

The status of options discussed thus far is:
CRIMES RESPONSE.

I will be prepared to discuss crises response options if
the Executive The Director's Report should elaborate on the NRO's
potential for responding to crises, i.e., CORONA.
1. In view of the 40 Committee agreement, an increase to the July ExCom U-2 choice is unavoidable for the FY 72 budget. The DNRO recommends Option 3 under the circumstances, which would protect a later decision to deploy for one overseas location and assign U-2R's for Cuba and Latin coverage. CIA operations are the same under all options.
This option is technically a deviation from the 40 Committee agreement, in that it would continue to fly 12 U-2R's. CIA would fly five U-2R's on photographic missions, SAC would fly five U-2R's in relation to this mission (three deployed to one overseas location), while AT would fly two U-2R's for Cuba and SEA photographic coverage. The estimated NRP costs, assuming program continuation thru FY 1976, are:

2. The 40 Committee agreement extended for one year, with an understanding that there would be a re-examination next year. Accordingly, for FY 73 thru 76 there could be a tentative consolidation option choice, but such options have not been redeveloped at this time, with the added reason that DAC is also subject to further examination. Accordingly, the DNRO recommends for present FYDP purposes that Option 3 be chosen for FY 73-76 as well.
CRISIS RESPONSE (Aircraft and Drones).

will be prepared to discuss crises response options for aircraft and drones. The Director's Report will include options for existing and advanced systems.

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