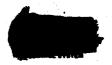
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NOTE FOR DR. McLUCAS

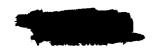
SUBJECT: JCS Paper

I believe that you are aware of a JCS paper, subject: "Requirements to Implement the Measure Proposed By the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Regard to the Strategic Arms Limitation Agreement." The paper advocates that national technical means be upgraded and expanded to meet the needs of SALT verification. We were informally asked by General Allison's office to comment on this paper last week. opinion was that the upgrading of national technical means vis-a-vis satellites was not SALT dependent and was intelligence budget limited. These comments, although submitted by ACSAN, were not incorporated with the final paper, which we understand is in Mr. Laird's hands.

It appears as if satellite upgrading is receiving the attention of a great many more people who are not normally spokesmen. The result of this attention could be that the interested congressional committees might become confused as to who speaks for the reconnaissance satellite budget. It is recommended that you discuss the matter of verification upgrade advocacy with Mr. Laird at your earliest convenience so that he will not lose track of the relatively independent justification of the NRP through the Congress.



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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL BRADBURN

There is a JCS paper that you will find interesting: JCS 2482/152, 29 May 72, Subj: (U) Requirements to Implement the Measures Proposed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Regard to the Strategic Arms Limitation Agreement.

It discusses monitoring systems, detection of interferences with national technical means, and organizational arrangements for analyzing and reporting information pertinent to SAL Compliance.

Also, Mr. Laird's unclassified Statement to the Mahon Committee on 5 June discusses interesting things like "increases in intelligence resources to augment verification capabilities."

