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I. A CONFUSION EXISTS TO REVEAL THE SATELLITE RECONNAISSANCE, NETWORKS SYSTEMS AND DETAIL OF OPERATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES. THIS IS PRESIDENTLY MANIFESTED IN TWO PROPOSED ACTIONS: (1) PRESS CONFERENCE IN STC AND (2) SCF FILM. WE ARE UNABLE TO SEE ANY AREA BY WHICH THE AIR FORCE STANDS TO GAIN, SUCH AS BUDGET, PUBLIC SUPPORT OR TROOP Morale. AT STAKE IS THE LOSS OF SECURITY FOR THIS CRITICAL INTELLIGENCE SOURCE. OUR PRESENT POLICY OF LOW KEY - NO PUBLICITY HAS RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING FAVORABLE CONDITIONS:

A. MAXIMUM SECURITY PROTECTION IN AN OPEN SOCIETY ABOUT AN INTELLIGENCE SOURCE.

B. VERY LITTLE UNFAVORABLE REACTION FROM COUNTRIES OVER WHICH WE FLY AND COLLECT INTELLIGENCE.

C. FAVORABLE MEDIA COMMERCIAL. WE HAVE NEVER HAD NEGATIVE CRITICISM OR COMMENT ABOUT OUR OPERATIONS FROM MEDIA.

II. A PRESS CONFERENCE -

PRESS CONFERENCE IN THE STC IS TANTAMOUNT TO OPENING UP THE STC FOR FUTURE MEDIA ACTIVITY. BY OPENING UP THE STC TO THE NEWS MEDIA WE INITIATE A HALLMARK CHANGE IN OUR PUBLIC POSTURE. NO LONGER CAN THE PRESS BE DEPRIVED, THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW TAKES OVER. UNRELenting PRESSURE FOR MORE AND MORE INFORMATION WILL BE ONCE WE PUT FORTH SUCH A SUPER CUE TO THE MEDIA. INCLUDED IN THE JUDGMENT ON SUCH A MOVE MUST BE AN UNDERSTANDING THAT WE WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO HOLD DOWN PUBLICITY, SECURITY COMPROMISES, REVEALED INDEEP SPECULATIONS AND PRESS QUERIES.

1. NO MATTER WHAT THE PLANNED TEXT IS FOR A DR. MCULCAS PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE STC THE MEDIA WILL HIGHLIGHT INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION BY SATELLITE. YOU SHOULD EXPECT TO SEE THE STC CHARACTERIZED AS "THE CENTER OF OPERATIONS FOR SPY SATELLITES". ANY ATTEMPT TO SORT OUT CLASSIFIED VS UNCLASSIFIED IS FRUITLESS.

DR. MCULCAS' PRESENTATION WILL BE OLD STUFF UNLESS HE TALKS "RECENT DO YOU KNOW ANYBODY WHO REMINDERS LADY GODIVA'S HORSE? THE ONLY MISSION OF INTEREST IS THE ONE THAT HAS BEEN HIDDEN FROM VIEW - THE ENTICING ONE - INTELLIGENCE. EXPECT TO SEE THE ARTICLES CAPTIONED "SPY IN SKY CENTER" OR SIMILAR CATCH PHRASE.

2. ONE CANNOT REALLY COMPARE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE STC TO THE DSCP SCENARIO. IN THE LATTER THERE WAS NEW INFORMATION

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HANDLE VIA CONTROL SYSTEM
ABOUT "WEATHER SATELLITES" THAT WAS BEING RELEASED, IN
THE CASE OF THE STC IT IS THE OPENING UP THE NETWORK CENTER THAT
WILL BE FEATURED WITH ALL OF THE SPECULATION INCLUDED AS TO WHAT
THE NETWORK PRIMARILY DOES, AND WHY IT HAS BEEN CLOSED UNTIL NOW
TO THE NEWS MEDIA.

3. LAST - DR. HOLLAS (OR ANY OTHER PRINCIPAL) WILL BE PLACED
IN EXACTLY THE POSITION WE DO NOT WANT HIM IN. HE EITHER HAS TO LIE
(AND HE WOULDN'T DO THAT) OR BE ENRAGED AND DECEPTIVE IN
PARLING THE QUESTIONS REGARDING RECONNAISSANCE. THIS IS SUICIDE IN
THE PRESENT SOCIO/PolITICAL ENVIRONMENT.

III. SCF FILM

A. THE PROPOSED PUBLIC RELEASE OF THE SCF FILM WILL REVEAL THE
TOTAL SPECTRUM OF ACTIVITY CONTROLLING RECONNAISSANCE SATELLITES.
INCLUDED ARE THE SCF NETWORK, HOW SCF WORKS OUT A MISSION FOR A
HYPOTHETICAL SCIENTIFIC SATELLITE IN POLAR ORBIT AT AN ALTITUDE OF
300 MILES AND ALL OF THE RECOVERY SEQUENCES IN DETAIL.

B. AS THE ONLY RECOVERY OPERATIONS IN EXISTENCE ARE NRO DWAYS WITH
FILM, IT IS DECISIVELY DILIBITATING TO OUR PHOTO INTELLIGENCE
OPERATIONS TO ALLOW THIS ACTIVITY TO BE PARADE BEFORE PEOPLE WHO
HAVE NO NEED TO KNOW. WE HAVE BEEN AVOIDING ANY INFORMATION RELEASES
ON RECOVERY, WHILE RECOGNIZING THAT THE GENERAL ACTIVITY ITSELF IS
IMPOSSIBLE TO TECHNICALLY CLASSIFY, THE TOTAL COMPOSITE OF THE SCF
NETWORK AND THE RECOVERY SEQUENCES SHOULD KEEP THAT FILM SECRET.
THE FILM SHOULD REMAIN FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH WE AGREED TO ITS
PRODUCTION, I.E., TRAINING AND FOR SHOWING TO SELECTED PEOPLE WHO
HAVE A NEED.

IV. IF IT IS TO THE NATIONAL AND AIR FORCE INTEREST TO RELEASE TO
THE PUBLIC MORE INFORMATION ABOUT AIR FORCE SPACE ACTIVITY, THE
REASON SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL DECISION MACHINERY
ABOUT THE RELEASE OF THE "FACT OF". TAKING ACTIONS SUCH AS RELEASING
NRO RECOVERY ACTIVITY AND HOLDING PRESS CONFERENCES FROM THE HEART
OF THE NETWORK THAT CONTROLS RECONNAISSANCE SATELLITES IS PRECIPITOUS
AND TENDS TO PRE-EPT THE DECISION MAKING APPARATUS BEFORE IT HAS
AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMPLETE ITS CAREFUL ACTIONS. IT WOULD BE MUCH
SPECIAL JUDGEMENT TO HOLD OFF RELEASING THE STC FILM OR CONDUCTING
THE "PRESS CONFERENCE" UNTIL THE POLICY MEETINGS NOW IN SESSION SET
FORTH DELIBERATION.

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CONTROL SYSTEM