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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, PROGRAM B

SUBJECT: Problems in Data Submissions and Exchanges

In recent months I have become concerned about the increase of inadequate responses to requests for submission of important data. Currently outstanding are the following examples:

a. Quarterly Program Review Report

Program B Quarterly Report for the first quarter of FY 1965 is now overdue. Late submission of these reports defeat the important objective of data currency.

b. Engine Research and Development

In a 24 June 1964 program approval memorandum to your directorate, a statement was made with respect to Engine Research and Development, "A presentation by your directorate to (S)DNRO is expected after initial negotiations with the contractor, at which time we may be in a position to establish a firm figure."

In a 14 August 1964 program approval memorandum to your directorate, a statement was made, "In a previous discussion on this program, you asked that the approved amount be held open, pending discussions with [REDACTED]. I would like to be informed as to the status of these discussions, and an estimate of when the costs will be finalized."

To date, no presentations or memoranda have been furnished which address the preceding points. On the other hand, your As of 30 September 1964 Fund Status Report indicates [REDACTED] obligation against this account, with no statement as to the basis for this obligation.

Also, in August a verbal request was made to your office for an approximate costing of a FY 1965 Engine R&D program under assumptions developed by me. To date, no response has been made.

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c. OKCART Airborne Electronics Equipment.

In a 14 August 1964 program approval memorandum statement was made, "The revised program approval is less than your basic submissions, and is a general rather than specific reduction. It is requested that a revised program against this approval be submitted as soon as possible." To date, the revised program has not been received.

d. [REDACTED] and Sub-Systems

In the same 14 August memorandum, a statement was made, "...However, it is requested that a revised program against this approval be submitted as soon as possible." To date, the revised program has not been received.

Although your June-due quarterly report was not received until October, the initial submission included data on (S)MRO fund status as of 30 June by contract by project/task. However, several days later, your office substituted a brochure which deleted all of this contract funding data. This information is required by the (S)MRO Comptroller, and I request that the fund status by contract and by project task be resubmitted immediately.

To reverse the undesirable trend indicated by the preceding illustrations, I desire that (1) existing and future requests for data be complied with on a timely basis, (2) that material now overdue as indicated be furnished as rapidly as possible, and (3) that a positive cooperative relationship be developed.

Your personal interest is requested.

Signed,

BROCKWAY McMILLAN

Director

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