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### DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

### **MEMORANDUM**

June 15, 1973

MEMO FOR DR. McLUCAS

SUBJECT: OMB Staff Study

It appears that the answer being prepared jointly by the ASD(I) staff will treat all intelligence programs in the same manner. This, of course, is another step in the direction of normalizing the NRP. I have discussed this matter with Gen Allen and he feels that it is not only appropriate but expected that the NRO respond separately. Since we have already made a commitment to the ASD(I) to provide inputs to their joint response we will continue in this direction. However, it appears appropriate that a separate memorandum from you to Gen Allen suggesting a direct NRO participation in those matters affecting the NRO would be appropriate. At my request, Lt Col Hofmann has prepared this package.

> John E. Kulpa, Jr Colonel, USAF

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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. HALL, ASD(I)

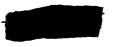
SUBJECT: OMB Staff Report

While our staffs are working to prepare the coordinated response to General Allen's letter of May 8, 1973 10227/73), I feel that we should also answer General Allen's letter directly. I have, therefore, revised by original memorandum and sent it to him. A copy is attached.

John L. McLucas

1 Attachment Memo for Gen Allen

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL ALLEN

SUBJECT: OMB Staff Report

I appreciated the opportunity to read the OMB Staff
Report forwarded by your letter of May 8, 1973 (110227/73).

While I find that we might question some of the results and conclusions in the OMB Study, I think that overall it represents a thorough and thought-provoking study. Your plan of action seems to be a step in the right direction toward attacking some of the problems that have been identified either previously or in the OMB Study.

The NRO Staff is working with Dr. Hall's people in preparing a consolidated review of the OMB Study and our comments will be reflected in that response. In addition, I think it is appropriate that the NRO be a fully participating member in intelligence community efforts to carry out your plan and rectify identified problems. Because of the interplay between conventional and overhead collectors and to insure that capabilities are accurately reflected, I believe that NRO participation should be extended into the cross budget resource analysis area.

We look forward to fully supporting the Intelligence Community Staff in this endeavor.

John L. McLucas



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