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1. At 1330 on 3 November in Rm 3E-1006 there is to be a meeting to discuss SANOS. This meeting is being called, it is believed, by Dr. York. Scheduled to be present at this meeting are the following: Dr. Land, Dr. York, Dr. Billings, Mr. Bissell, General Schriever, and Dr. Charyk.

2. The expressed purpose for this meeting is to outline to General Schriever key points which should be covered by the AFMCD in formal presentations on SANOS presently scheduled for the end of November. Some of these points are: anticipated maintenance and operation costs for the operation of this system by the 679th Test Wing; status and costs of Subsystem I, the data processing effort; and costs for Subsystem F, the Secret subsystem.

3. Underlying all of this, it is believed, this group of individuals will consider the entire SANOS program with the possible view towards its cancellation. As we have known for some time, special consideration must be given to the problem of photographic reconnaissance of Soviet territory. Can it be done overtly or must (and can) covert techniques be applied?

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4. It is recommended that you call Dr. York and make arrangements for attending this meeting.

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