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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20330



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

16 July 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NASH, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
OF DEFENSE, RECORDS ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: Declassification Review

REFERENCE: Your memo, same subject, dated 7 July 1976

This office has reviewed the 13 July 1960 memorandum from W. O. Baker to the PSAC Panel. Certain portions of the memorandum, which have been bracketed in red, still remain classified SECRET, exemption category 2, declassification date impossible to determine.

We appreciate having the opportunity to review the memorandum.



Assistant Deputy Director,  
Management  
Office of Space Systems

1 Attachment  
W.O. Baker Memo  
dtd 13 July 1960 (S)



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Memorandum to: PSAC Panel

Subject: Review of the 117L System

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Several issues essential to technical development of the SAKOS Satellite System appear unspecified at this time. They are particularly interagency matters [in which either the DCI leadership or guidance from the Special Assistant's area may accordingly be necessary.]

(1) Clear position by the State Department and other foreign relations bodies on the intention to experiment with fairly low altitude satellites.

(2) Scheduling assistance from weather surveying facilities of various parts of the Government would perhaps involve immediate utilization of further TIROS satellites.

Since the operation of these satellites [for SAKOS purposes] would also involve some of the issues implied in item (1), there is some feeling that ~~the~~ NASA for this and other reasons is at present only loosely coupled to this need.

(3) [The weighted judgments of the members of the Intelligence community about the importance of the F system technology does not seem to have been compiled. Indeed, the military view of both the E and F requirements are so different from some of the other agencies' views that the usual USIB compromise, which is much improved in the draft of June 29, 1960, compared to some earlier drafts, still does, especially in the F system, little justice to a formulation of over-all national needs.]

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(4) Indeed, the further subject of position of the RAMOS System in the national [security] priorities is also vague. While there are sensational headlines and pronouncements about this, there is again no implementation. The Security Council or other appropriate bodies would serve well the technical agencies of the Government if they could arrive at proper priority positions of RAMOS with respect to EMEAS, ATLAS, TITAN, MINUTEMAN, POLARIS, AEP, SAGE, DEFENDER, and a host of other things strung across the developmental stage. True, the operational status of ATLAS vs DEFENDER covers nearly the whole span of dream to reality. Nevertheless, the technical problems in many of these areas are sufficiently acute so that the old American practice of doing everything at once may turn out to sag.

July 13, 1960

W. G. BAKER



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and Executive Order 11652.

If you determine that the document should not be declassified, please  
cite the specific exemption category in DoD Regulation 5200.1R which  
should be used to exempt the document from declassification.

Please advise this office of your decision in this matter no later  
than 26 July 1976. Please return the document with your reply.

*James S. Nash*  
James S. Nash  
Records Administrator

4 Attachments:

- 1) Memo, DIA, 6-30-76
- 2) Ltr, NARS, 6-10-76
- 3) Ltr, CIA, 5-19-76
- 4) Class. Doc. #13 (2 pages)

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ATTACH 1

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
(ADMINISTRATION), OASD(C)

SUBJECT: Declassification Review

Reference: Your memorandum for Director, Defense Intelligence Agency,  
15 June 1976, subject: Request for Declassification  
(OSD-R-608132)

1. The Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) has no objection to declassification of the attached memorandum, undated, subject: "Review of the 117L System."
2. It is recommended that the memorandum also be forwarded to the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Space Systems, for additional review prior to declassification.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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4 Enclosures

1. Undated memo, "Review of 117L System" (S)
2. Memo, OASD(C), 15 Jun 76 (S-RBU)
3. Ltr, NARS, 10 Jun 76 (S)
4. Ltr, CIA, 19 May 76 (S-RBU)

GEORGE A. ZACHARIAS  
Acting Assistant Deputy Director for  
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Mr. James S. Nash  
Records Administrator  
Office of the Assistant Secretary  
(Comptroller)(Administration)  
Department of Defense  
Washington, DC 20301

Dear Mr. Nash:

A concurrence has been requested of your agency in a mandatory classification review request initiated by a researcher(s) under the provisions of Section 5(C), Executive Order 11652. The enclosed document(s) is from the holdings of one of the Presidential Libraries. A copy of the department's letter is enclosed.

We request that you or officials of your agency review the document(s) and inform us whether there are objections to its declassification and release. If the document(s) or any portion of the document(s) should remain classified in the interest of national security, please provide us with the applicable exemption category from Section 5(B) of the Executive order and with a date when automatic declassification may be accomplished. We would appreciate return of the document copy(s) with your response.

Sincerely,

EDWIN A. THOMPSON  
Director  
Records Declassification Division

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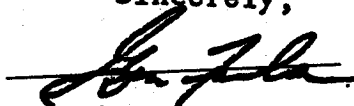
Dear Mr. Thompson:

This is in reply to your letter of 28 April 1976 (NLE-75-8), which transmitted for mandatory classification review a single document from the Eisenhower Library. The document was requested by Dr. Eugene M. Emme under the provisions of Sec. 5(C) of Executive Order 11652.

From the standpoint of CIA interests, there is no reason to object to declassification of the document (a 13 July 1960 memorandum from W.O. Baker to the PSAC Panel). We recommend, however, that it be referred to the Department of Defense for review prior to a final determination.

The copy provided for our review is returned herewith.

Sincerely,



Gene F. Wilson  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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