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FROM: HQS USAF

TO: CINCPAC OFFUTT AFB NEBR

INFO: AFDC ANDREWS AFB MD

AFBMD INGLEWOOD CALIF 67350

*SECRET FROM AFVC*

*FOR GRISWOLD FROM LEMAY*

REFERENCE IS MADE TO PART IV AND PART V YOUR MSG VC 0847, DATED 28 JAN 60. THIS MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART I. ON 14 DEC 59 AFDC (AFBMD) BRIEFED THE AIR FORCE BALLISTIC MISSILE COMMITTEE ON A SAMOS AND MIDAS PROGRAM WHICH WOULD PERMIT AN OPERATIONAL DATE OF 1 JUL 62 FOR SAMOS AND 1 JAN 62 FOR MIDAS. THE INSTRUCTIONS RESULTING FROM THIS BALLISTIC MISSILE COMMITTEE MEETING WERE CLEAR: NEITHER PROGRAM WAS DESIRED. AFBMD HAS BEEN ADVISED TO BRIEF THIS HQ AND AFMCC IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDANCE PROVIDED AT REFERENCED MEETING AS CONTAINED IN AFDMAT MSG 98212. PART II. TWO SAC REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE WEAPONS BOARD MEETING ON 3 FEB 60 AND ONE CAN REPRESENT SAC AT THE AFMCC MEETING ON 10 FEB 60.

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 Colonel, U.S. Air Force  
 Was Chief of Staff

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FROM : CINCSAC OFFUTT AFB NEBR

TO : USAF WASH DC

INFO : ARDCANDREWS AFB MD  
AFBMD INGLEWOOD CALIF

NR : VC 0847 281620Z JAN 60

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL LEMAY FROM GENERAL GRISWOLD.

Subject is SAMOS and MIDAS. This msg in V parts.

Part I. Ref is made your msg AFCVC 98219 dated 21 Dec 1959 and my interim answer VC-0206 dated 6 Jan 1960.

Part II. SAC and ARDC Representatives have reviewed these programs with a view to reducing the requirements to minimum essential. From our viewpoint, however, ARDC (AFBMD) will have to present a more or less directed solution to the AFEMC in accordance with the fund ceilings contained in AFDAT 98212. With regards to SAMOS, AFBMD is currently planning on presenting a program, in keeping with the AFDAT ceiling, which AFBMD has entitled "Minimum Essential R&D Program". This program would lead to an operational program sometime in 1964. In addition AFBMD will present another, slightly more costly, program which they have entitled "Developer/Operator Program". This latter SAMOS program would produce a subscale operation program in late 1963, versus a previously agreed to fully operational date of 1 July 1962. Both of these programs are, of course, unacceptable to SAC. In this connection ref is made to a msg from General White, cite C-0706 dated 25 Jan 60, Subj: "Principal Problems of Major Commands".

Part III. Ref is made to AFDAT msg 64965, dated 22 Jan 60 which stated, "in addition to recommendations for MIDAS in accordance with actions directed in AFDAT 98212, it is requested that ARDC be prepared to discuss a program that would insure the earliest possible

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operational date for MIDAS assuming a 1 March 1960 go-ahead".

Part IV. In view of the above, AFDAT msg and appreciating the technical interface between SAMOS and MIDAS and at the same time recognizing that the President has previously established a DX priority for SAMOS, it is requested that ARDC (AFBMD) be directed to also brief a SAMOS program that will permit a 1 July 1962 operational date. It is again recommended that the AFEMC, during its 10 Feb 60 meeting on this subj, fund for an operational date of 1 Jul 62 for SAMOS and 1 Jan 63 for MODAS.

Part V. It is desired to have SAC representation at the 3 Feb 60, weapons board meeting and the 10 Feb 1960 AFEMC meeting on this subj. Names of SAC representatives to the 3 Feb 60 weapons board meeting are Col R. G. Dupont, Lt Col Eugene G. Mulling and Maj L. D. Underwood. Names of two (2) SAC representatives to the 10 Feb 60 AFEMC meeting will be forwarded NLT 6 Feb 1960.

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NOTE : 206 is AF IN 37898 (9 Jan 60)  
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(Uncl) SAMOS and MIDAS Development Plan

AFMDC briefed the AFMDC on 14 and 17 December 1959. At that briefing, a program to provide a July 1962 operational capability for SAMOS was shown. The cost for this program was as follows:

[REDACTED] 1044 [REDACTED]

The DOD established fund ceiling on this program is as follows:

[REDACTED] 1044 [REDACTED]

AFMDC was advised by the Ballistic Missile Committee that funds are not available except through internal Air Force reprogramming. AFMDC has proposed a program based upon the funds available (ceiling program) and a number of other programs together with their cost which could give additional capability to the program if reprogramming was undertaken. These programs will be reviewed for the 14th conference with the following schedule:

Air Staff - 1 Feb 1960  
Weapons Board - 3 Feb 60

AFMDC - 10 Feb 60  
AFMDC - 17 Feb 60

The proposed reply to SAC's message reiterates that action to provide an operational SAMOS by July 1962 must be the subject of reprogramming action.

RECOMMENDATION

The attached reply be signed.

JOHN L. MARTIN, JR.  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy Assistant for Advanced Technology

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1	AFDC	Appr	AFDAT	71791	1 Feb 60
2	AFCS	Coord	ACTION OFFICER <i>Donald L. Floyd</i> (Signature)	Major Floyd (Typed Grade and Surname)	TYPIST'S INITIALS mb
3	AFCCS	Sig			

SUBJECT (Uncl) SAMOS and MIDAS Development Plan

SUMMARY

1. AFEMD briefed the AFEMC on 14 and 17 December 1959. At that briefing, a program to provide a July 1962 operational capability for SAMOS was shown. The cost for this program was as follows:

[REDACTED] 1044 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

The DOD established fund ceiling on this program is as follows:

[REDACTED] 1044 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

2. AFEMD was advised by the Ballistic Missile Committee that funds of this order were not available except through internal Air Force reprogramming. AFEMD was instructed to prepare a program based upon the funds available (ceiling program) and a "shopping list" of items together with their cost which could give additional emphasis to the program if reprogramming was undertaken. These programs will be reviewed for this purpose in a conference with the following schedule:

- Air Staff - 1 Feb 1960
- Weapons Board - 3 Feb 60
- AFEMC - 10 Feb 60
- DDR&E - 17 Feb 60

3. The proposed reply to SAC's message reiterates that action to provide an operational SAMOS by July 1962 must be the subject of reprogramming action this month.

RECOMMENDATION

4. The attached reply be signed.

*John L. Martin, Jr.*  
JOHN L. MARTIN, JR.  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy Assistant for Advanced Technology

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- 1. Proposed Msg to SAC
- 2. Inc Msg from SAC dtd 28 Jan 60

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