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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, DCS/D

SUBJECT: AFPC Advice of Action

1. Forwarded for your information and retention is the Armed Forces Policy Council Advice of Action, dated 14 January 1959, concerning the Pacific Missile Range.

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Advice of Action

JAMES T. HAMBROE
Major, USAF
Executive
Deputy Director for War Plans
To: Members of the Armed Forces Policy Council  Date: 14 January 1959

Subject: Pacific Missile Range

Date of Meeting: 13 January 1959

You are hereby notified of action taken as follows:

1. Rear Adm. Jack P. Monroe, Commander of the Pacific Missile Range, presented an information briefing on the mission, organisation, present and anticipated program requirements, and funding of the Pacific Missile Range.

2. At the conclusion of the briefing, Adm. Monroe recommended the following items for further consideration:
   a. Standardisation of boosters and launching facilities for various size payloads.
   b. Immediate establishment of an equatorial range
   c. Definition of the cognisance of the Pacific Missile Range.
   d. Resolution of world-wide tracking, control, and communications requirements and responsibilities.
   e. Early commitment of programs to the test ranges in order to allow better planning and programming.
   f. Support be continued for a general Pacific Missile Range development plan.
3. The Secretary of the Navy stated that there must be improved management in this area in order better to coordinate programs which will be utilizing the range. He further stated that the Department of the Navy as executive agent for the Pacific Missile Range is trying to carry out an orderly and least expensive program in providing appropriate facilities and instrumentation in phase with programs to utilize the range.

4. The Director of Guided Missiles, OSD, discussed the over-all national problem of integrating the national guided missile ranges and world-wide control and tracking facilities. He informed the Council that he is working with Dr. Keith Glennan, NASA; Mr. Quarles, Deputy Secretary of Defense; Mr. Johnson, Director of ARPA; and Gen. Erskine, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Special Operations), further to develop and present proposals for better integration of the national missile ranges and related instrumentation with the National Space launching and tracking facilities, and to recommend management procedures.

5. The Secretary of Defense suggested that all Armed Forces Policy Council members keep the problems raised under continuing review. He also suggested that after proposals had been worked out by the Glennan-Quarles group, they be presented for further review with the prospect that these matters will eventually need to be brought to the attention of the National Space Council or the National Security Council.

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