(U) Atlas Display System

Letter Contract No. AF 04(647)-357 was issued to Douglas Aircraft Company (El Segundo) on 6 March 1959 for the Atlas Display System. Negotiations for definitization of the Letter Contract will be held 11 Mar 59.

(U) Strategic Lunar System Studies

All three contracts for the SR 192 program are out for signature, and are expected back shortly. The Notices to Unsuccessful Offerors were mailed out 10 March 1959. They announced that the successful offerors were Aerojet, Douglas Aircraft Company (El Segundo), and North American Aviation (Missile Division). The contracts cannot be signed off until the Secretarial Findings and Determinations are received, but they are expected in a week or ten days.

(U) Strategic Interplanetary System

RFP 59-EMD-529 issued and distributed 26 January 1959 and scheduled for opening 2 March 1959. Nine proposals received from 29 firms solicited. The Evaluation Board convened 4 March 1959 and the results of the meeting are anticipated by 13 March 1959.

(U) Mobile Ballistic Missile Study

RFP 59-EMD-518 issued and distributed 30 January 1959 and scheduled to be opened 5 March 1959. Twenty-one proposals were received from 50 firms solicited. The Evaluation Board convened 9 March 1959 and the results of the meeting are anticipated by 17 March 1959.

(U) Space Technology Laboratories, Inc.

1. The problem of contractual coverage for SE/TD effort pertaining to ARPA Order 17-59 has still not been resolved. STL presently refuses to sign Amendment No. 1 to Letter Contract No. AF 04(647)-309, contending that this method of coverage for this effort is not appropriate. STL wants separate letter contract. Further effort will be made to obtain the contractor's acceptance of this document, rather than issuing a separate letter contract. The question of a separate contract (definitive contract) for the ARPA requirement has not been finalized.

2. Additional requirements for SE/TD effort by STL are contemplated as a result of NASA Orders ES-34 and ES-36. It is hoped that the problem of separate contracts, set forth in item 1 above, will be resolved soon in order that additional contractual coverage for the NASA requirement can be effected in essentially the same manner.

3. Fee negotiations relative to Definitive Contract No. AF 04(647)-302 are in process with a resolution anticipated within the next several days.