MEMORANDUM TO: Colonel Norton

6 August 1956

Subject: WS 117L Program

1. Reference your verbal request of 3 August 1956 concerning the planned procedures to finance WS 117L work by WS 107A, L3 315 contractors which is of sufficient magnitude to warrant incurred costs above the cost level of existing contracts.

2. Whenever an item requirement or a requirement for services should develop which could be satisfied by contractors engaged in the WS 107A, WS 315 programs, the WS 117L WSO will coordinate this requirement with the appropriate weapons and RHQ office to make the following determinations:

   A. Probable availability of an existing contractor to satisfy the requirement.

   B. The extent to which the added requirement would constitute an acceptable level of interference with other weapons programs, if any.

   C. Whether the requirement and the performance on the equipment fall within the scope of an existing contract.

1. Where it is determined that the performance on the requirement is within the scope of the contract but additional cost is involved, a CSM would be executed and WS 117L funds would be provided to cover the additional cost.

2. Where it is determined that the performance on the requirement is not within the scope of existing contracts, a new contract would be negotiated and the costs involved will be satisfied by the use of available WS 117L funds.

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