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STOPPER Developments

Discussed production of [REDACTED] trackers. All goes well at EDL. June 15 delivery is to be met and they are prepared to continue to produce at the rate of one every two weeks, so long as someone continues to support long lead items. As stated in their new paper, dated 27 April, File No. SSD32-3324, a copy enclosed for Harold Willis; a copy for [REDACTED] was forwarded via Copley and [REDACTED] -- they expect a contract from someone soon on the production units. They have set no date beyond which they cannot fulfill the production schedule but must soon if the contract is not placed. In accordance with Harold Willis' telephone message, I indicated that this matter might be resolved during the week of 4 May.

Lockheed is getting nervous about installation instructions. They were told that the most likely method of operation would be 8½ pounds of added weight to work on 162 and [REDACTED] birds, but that I had no data on which bird would be the first one.

EDL seem to have the idea again as to the purpose of the 50K vulnerability project which they call Firefly. Attached is a list of eight people who will be knowledgeable on all results of the project and four men who will be

consultants one or more matters that will be only a part of the project's combined output. The consultants will not know the total status of our knowledge about the vulnerability of the satellite but will only know that vulnerability aspect that they have worked on. Currently work is in progress in analyzing the Soviet Space Coverage capability and some equipment capabilities that USSR have now or may be building.

EDL requested an address to which they can send TK and SI reports. These reports will be written because they have some bearing on our vulnerability, but will have no reference to the EDL project Firefly. They must go out thru Col. Hunt -- Army Security Officer in charge of TK and SI, but may be addressed directly to any address you may supply and can be marked for direct transmission to some individual at the address if this is satisfactory with you.

How shall they address these TK and SI documents?