MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (R&D)

SUBJECT: Extended Lifetime Support Module for MOL

I have reviewed your memorandum on this subject dated 20 January 1967. I concur in your approach to design the baseline MOL system so that a growth to a 60 day life can be achieved when desired but to qualify the present system only for 30 days.

The MOL program which will total over $2 billion as now planned presents severe funding problems. It is certainly prudent that we take steps such as you propose which could lead to a more effective use of the MOL system in the future. I do request, however, that special steps be taken in the configuration and change control area to assure that in providing for a future extended life capability the funding required for changes to the baseline program not be increased beyond the $2 million you identify as necessary.

SIGNED

John S. Foster, Jr.