NASA Ltr to AF

- Desire to use ATS and mission simulator for human factors experiment earth resources and possible lunar exploration.

- Explain how you propose to conduct the experiments and how the results will be utilized. Detail these uses to the degree known - no earth imagery returned with resolution better than 15-20'.

- Propose a study plan.

- Joint effort NASA funded - Air Force contracted black study to include developing future plans, missions, concepts of employment, imagery limits, schedules, costs, equipment configurations, and declassification considerations.

- Offer, as part of the study plan, to jointly develop a NASA/AF management scheme for program implementation with responsibilities generally divided as follows:

  NASA: Program objectives; hardware/software acquisition; vehicle integration; orbital operations.

  AF: DOD manned space flight objectives; crew training on the ATS and simulator; evaluation of crew performance; biomedical aspects related to ATS operation; mission planning; post flight evaluation.
- Include implementation plan.
- Offer to make funds immediately available for the study and for the storage and maintenance of available inventories.
- In view of AF investment to date and political considerations, offer to fully fund effort through FY 71 and then suggesting NASA/AF joint funding in FY 72 and beyond in some yet to be agreed upon split.