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GAMBIT/SECUR

DELIVER DURING NORMAL DUTY HOURS

BISON FOR MGEN KULPA/COL FOLEY/COL MOCHKISTIAN [REDACTED]

FROM: HILL [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SEC-40 LAUNCH PLANNING

REFERENCE: 1. BISON 8594, 18 AUG 80, SAME SUBJECT.

2. 20 AUG TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN [REDACTED]

1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT WITH [REDACTED] LAUNCHING [REDACTED] WITH THE AGENA AND SV PROCESSING DONE AFTER THE HOLIDAYS. FOLLOWING THE LAUNCH ON [REDACTED] WE COULD PLAN TO LAUNCH A GAMBIT 60 TO 75 DAYS LATER.

2. THIS ACCELERATED SEQUENCE IS BEING ADDRESSED TO PROTECT THE OPTION TO LAUNCH A GAMBIT VEHICLE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IN 1981.

3. REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS BY 22 AUG 80.

REVW: AUG 2000

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