

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM

[REDACTED]

As it stands now, Noead will
set as the collector and collator
of info to be passed directly on
to NMCC for insertion in the
data base. In reality, the Noead
could run the data base but
the White House decided that the
base would be in DC, so Noead
is the middleman. Incidentally,
I have asked Lt Col [REDACTED] to
have us put on the info addressed
list for us. I couldn't seem
to track all of the post ones, since
so many must have been originating
there.

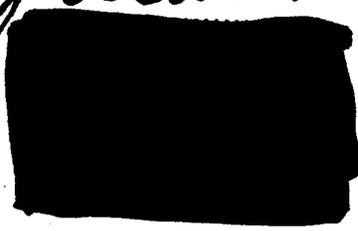
[REDACTED]

OK - I still have reservations;
let's track it to see how well
our limitations are protected. Perhaps
we need to act to tell NMCC that all
info [REDACTED] require
no approval - [REDACTED]

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Does NORAD automatically
supply (or pass on)
data on our systems
to JCS under the new
procedures? Or will
they hold it at NORAD
until a launch or
emergency occurs?



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THE NRO STAFF

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Reporting of Missile Launches under
U.S./Soviet Agreement

We have instructed SAFSP to support the requirements for providing NORAD with accident related launch data on NRO launches. NORAD has been directed by JCS to acquire the data for input to a Washington located data base. The data provided by SAFSP will be at the SECRET level and will resemble the R-15 type data already provided to NORAD. The data will not be used except in the case of an accident.

Our main concern is the fact that most of the "monitoring" agencies involved, such as AFSC and SAMSO, are making a "big deal" out of the agreement. I spoke with Major Prochko of SP about this and asked to be informed if our interests were not being served with the onset of empire building in the monitoring of launch data. We are taking a strong line in differentiating between "missile" and "space" launches. NORAD is presently the middleman in accumulating all missile and space launch data for all services at all locations.


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