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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT: Access to SAMOS Information by WSEG Personnel

1. The Joint Chiefs of Staff have directed the Weapons Systems Evaluation Group to evaluate systems for wartime reconnaissance in the 1963-1973 time period (SM 709-61, 27 June 61, Secret).
2. In order for the WSEG study to have a scope as directed, information about the SAMOS system is required.
3. The specific access and information requirements include the following:
 - a. SAMOS system concept as currently held.
 - b. Technical details of the system in the R&D and planned operational phases.
 - c. Major technical problems and anticipated operational problems.
 - d. Current status.
 - e. Access to contractors to discuss the system and see the hardware.
4. It is requested that the following WSEG personnel be given the access and information noted:

Dr. Laurence B. Dean, Jr. (TS - 8 Apr 57 - OSD)
Mr. John H. Offutt (TS - 8 May 58 - OSD)
Dr. Ellis L. Rabben (TS - 6 Jan 58 - OSD)
Col. Herbert Rosenthal, USAF (TS - 20 Apr 60 - OSD)

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5. It is understood that information obtained by the above will not be made available to other WSEG personnel, and will not appear in WSEG reports without prior Air Force approval. Nevertheless, this information is needed for realistic appraisals of future system requirements and capabilities.

6. The Director of the Joint Staff concurs in this request.


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