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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Collection Staff, SI
FROM : 
SUBJECT : Meeting with NASA Personnel

1. In accordance with your desire that a working-level liaison be established with NASA,  and I met with the following NASA officials at 10 A.M. this date:

Mr. Franklyn Phillips, Assistant to Dr. Dryden
Mr. Henry Billingsley, Head of the Office of
International Cooperation
Mr. Robert Littell, Liaison Officer
Mr. R. L. Bell, Director of Security

2. I explained to the group that the purpose of the meeting was to establish a working-level relationship as a follow-up to contacts between Dr. Glennan and Dr. Scoville. I also pointed out that OSI would certainly be one of the chief contributors of intelligence which would be useful to NASA, and at the same time NASA could assist OSI in keeping abreast of the state-of-the-art in space matters.

3. The organizational position of OSI in CIA was described briefly and in answer to questions about GMIC and JAEC, those and other relationships were discussed. Mr. Phillips was interested in knowing which channels would be best for quick access to information from CIA. I stated that in view of Dr. Scoville's designation by the DDCI as Dr. Glennan's contact, OSI would probably be both the proper channel and the one which would be the most direct to information of interest to NASA.

4. Mr. Billingsley asked what sub-committee of USIB would be responsible for intelligence on aeronautics and space matters. He was told that this matter is presently under consideration in USIB and that GMIC would likely assume that responsibility. Both he and Mr. Phillips expressed interest in finding out what role NASA should play in the

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activities of such a committee. I stated that we would bring this question to you for consideration. In the meantime we suggested that since OSI provides the secretariate for GMIC we could serve as the channel for supplying NASA with current information on GMIC activities.

5. Mr. Steele furnished samples of OSI publications which seem to be related to NASA's interests. (NASA has recently been put on the dissemination list for OSI publications related to space problems, but to date only two reports have reached there: [redacted] and the other not mentioned by subject, [redacted]) Mr. Phillips and also Mr. Bell stated that CIA has offered before to furnish intelligence reports, but that OSI should be able to help them decide what kinds of intelligence reports NASA should see. This has posed a problem for them especially since their organization is just being formed and their quarters are temporary and storage facilities somewhat inadequate. Every effort is being made to keep the volume of classified documents small. [redacted]

[redacted] We referred to the FY 1959 OSI Production Program as a good, general reference to OSI production.

6. To be sure that OSI would receive pertinent NASA publications, we were given copies of "Distribution Categories for NASA Publications." (Attached) Abstracts of NASA publications through CONFIDENTIAL, are being sent to OCR, and presumably come to OSI. Mr. Littell will be glad to help us acquire NASA publications, but prefers, of course, not to supplant our library to library dealings.

7. Mr. Billingsley said that he had recently talked to Mr. Amory about CIA-NASA relations. He is apparently new in NASA, however, for he had to be introduced to Mr. Littell. Mr. Billingsley asked if we would agree with a concept somewhat as follows:

NASA is going through the growing pains with respect to intelligence which the AEC and other government agencies experienced a few years ago. CIA, especially OSI, should be able to help determine the kind of intelligence unit NASA needs to carry out its mission and to support the national intelligence effort most effectively. He expressed the desire to have Dr. Scoville consider this problem. He said that there were two separate issues to be resolved: One was the technical intelligence support to the various echelons in NASA, and the other involving establishment of the Director and his staff in the NSC community so that Dr. Glennan should have a means of keeping abreast of what is going on at the top levels of defense and intelligence in Washington.

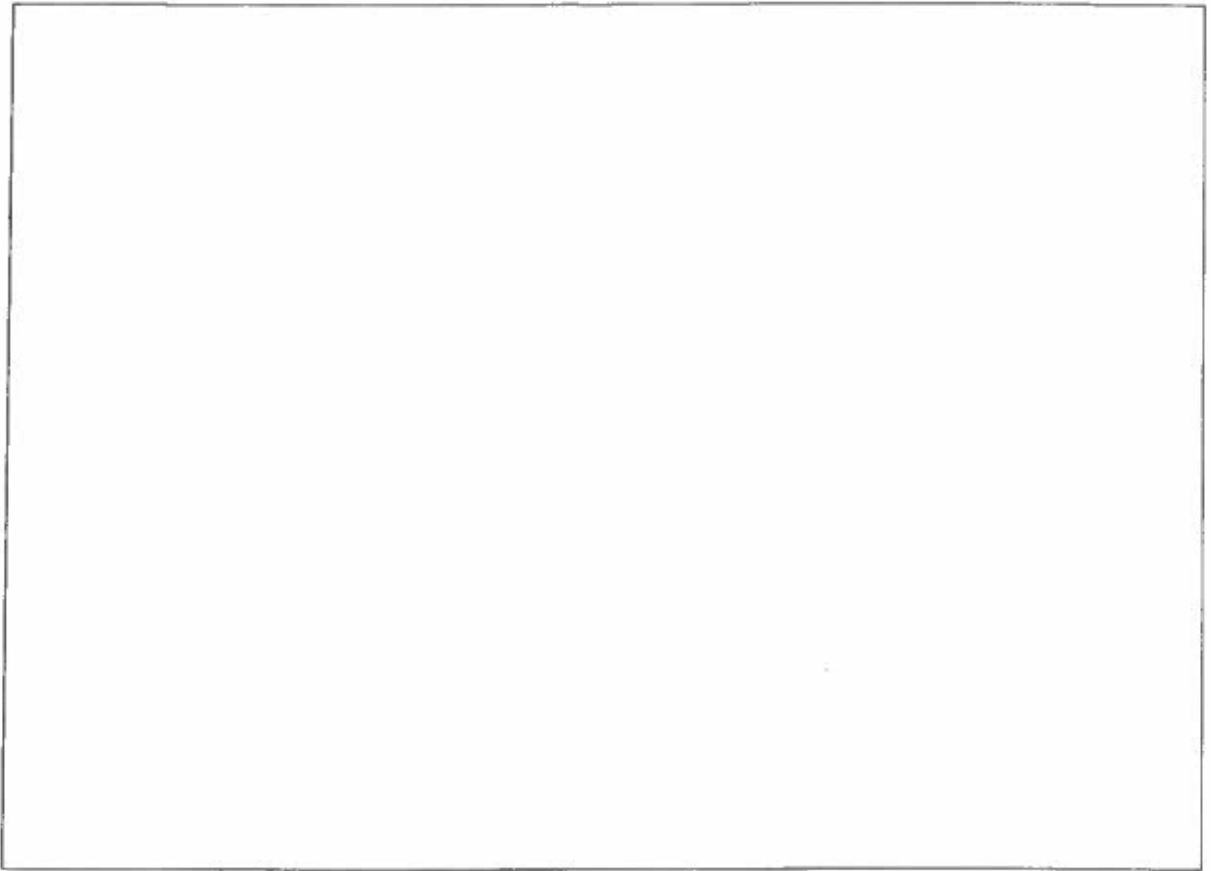
8. I assured Mr. Billingsley that these matters would be brought to Dr. Scoville's attention.



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