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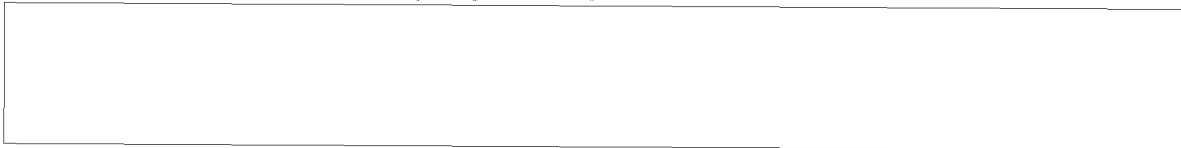
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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. McLUCAS

SUBJECT: Operational Activities, 16 July 1971

STRAWMAN 4 lifted off at ⁰⁶⁵⁰~~1650~~ local time today. Its operation appears to be nominal. The HARVESTER, THRESHER, and REAPER payloads will be tasked during the two days of its operation. STRAWMAN 3 is in caretaker status, available for use for exercises or crises.

HEXAGON bucket No. 4 will be recovered at ¹⁸⁰⁰~~1735~~ EDT today. Deterioration of pyro batteries makes this necessary. The camera aircraft will attempt to photograph the re-entry for clues to the recovery system problems.



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