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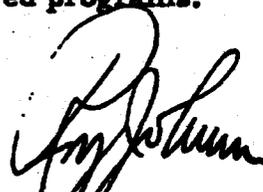
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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
ATTN: Deputy Chief of Staff, Development**

SUBJECT: Quarterly Film Report, Discoverer-Thor Project

In view of the recent announcement concerning the Discoverer-Thor Project, it will be necessary to modify the Quarterly Film Progress Report now being prepared by Lockheed on the Sentry program. It is requested that the report for the quarter ending 31 December 1958 clearly identify the distinction between these two programs. The film should explain the reorientation involved in the Discoverer-Thor Project, with emphasis on the fact that this project is not as specifically oriented as Sentry. The broader application of the Discoverer-Thor program should be stressed with the indication that it will be used for testing components, as well as for various type pay-loads. It should further specify that the Discoverer-Thor Project is not restricted to the use of Thor boosters -- although these will be used exclusively in the early phase of the program.

Activities relating specifically to the Sentry program should be prefaced by an appropriate caption and included after progress on the Discoverer-Thor program is presented. Both should be identified as ARPA sponsored programs.


Roy W. Johnson
Director

**cc: Assistant Secretary of the Air Force
for Research and Development**