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- 1. Based on our discussions, attached is a draft clarification of paragraph 1.b of the subject regulation.
 Request your recommendations or concurrence be sent directly to this office. Thereafter, this will be published as a message to field agencies concerned. It will also be published in the Eq USAF Daily Staff Digest for the staff.
- 2. For your information, General Hedrick's office has a copy of the attached draft.

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Assistant for Security Draft msg re AFR 205-23 and Trade Affairs
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Reference para 1.b. In the preparation of development plans and related documentation on proposed military space programs, great care and judgment must be exercised as to dissemination of such information based on need-to-know with full justification for access. Normally, prior to program approval it is not necessary to have assigned a space program number or establish special access requirements. However, if in the preparation of such plans and related documentation there is included reproduction of information as in Categories A thru D (para 1.a) relating to other numbered space programs, or the entire military space program, then the special access requirements must be imposed. The provisions of para 4, including the designation as in para 4.b(2) will be applied.

It is the policy of the Department of Defense that the security principle of need-to-know for military space projects be vigorously enforced.

The specific information considered sensitive under AFR 205-23 must be protected during all phases of the planning, development and operation of military space programs.

A space program number designating advanced space project concepts will be established and controlled under AFR 205-23. All advanced concept planning will come under this one program number for special access control.

When a particular concept reaches the stage of detailed study or definition, a separate program number will be assigned and the project controlled as a unique activity under AFR 205-23.

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