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24 September 1965

Honorable Dean Rusk  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dean:

Your letter of August 16, 1965, emphasizes the importance of careful examination of public statements about the MOL program because of potential foreign reactions. I agree that the publicity must be handled carefully. You have seen a copy of the MOL information policy document. The same procedures will be continued so that a consistent control over any subsequent public statements will be exercised.

In response to your suggestion for interdepartmental coordination of statements and releases, I have asked the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Public Affairs, to work with your designated representatives. I would expect, of course, that your existing relationships on policy matters with the Assistant Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs, would remain unchanged.

Sincerely yours,

Signed  
Cyrus Vance

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