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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>AFCVC</b></p> <p>UNCLASSIFIED FROM <del>SECRET</del> <b>ALMAJCOM</b></p> <p>The Secretary of Defense announced Tuesday, 10 December, that the Air Force had been assigned a new program for the development of a near earth Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL). The statement read in part " The MOL program, which will consist of an orbiting pressurized cylinder approximately the size of a small house trailer, will increase the Defense Department effort to determine military usefulness of man in space. This program, while increasing this effort, will permit savings of approximately \$100 million over present 1964-1965 military space programmed expenditures. In initiating the MOL program, it was decided to terminate the DYNASORR (X-20) program because the current requirement is for a program aimed directly at the basic question of man's utility in space, rather than</p>		<p>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS</p> <p>SAF-OS -1 SAF-US -1 <b>SAF-SS -1</b> SAF-RD -1 SAF-MA -1 SAF-EM -1 SAF-OI (8) AFCCS -3 AFIGO -1 AFAAC -1 AFODC -1 AFPDC -1 AFRDC -4 AFKDC -1 AFSDC -2 100-1 CAR-4</p> <p style="text-align: right;">38</p>					
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a program limited to finding means to control the return of man from space. The DYNASOAR Program was designed to do the latter." The following statements are being made by the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff. Secretary Zuckert, Quote, We welcome the assignment of the Manned Orbital Laboratory project, and we will now concentrate our resources and best management effort on this job in the exciting field of Space. This will assure effective Air Force participation in the Manned Space Program. Unquote. General LeMay, Quote, With respect to the decision by the Secretary of Defense to terminate the DYNASOAR Project and to assign to the Air Force responsibility for developing a Manned Orbital Laboratory, the Air Force will provide the best space laboratory program in the national interest that is possible within technical and management resources available to us. Unquote.

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