

October 23, 1959

MEMORANDUM for Those Concerned

Subject: Technical Survey of ABMA Activities

1. In order to develop a plan for the orderly transfer of elements of ABMA from the Department of the Army to NASA, it is essential that NASA obtain a complete understanding of the status and plans for all technical projects in the affected ABMA groups. Several technical survey teams will, therefore, proceed to ABMA during the week of October 26 to conduct the necessary study.

2. Each team will endeavor to secure the following information in its area of assignment:

A. Current Activity

1. Description of projects
2. Expenditure rate
3. In-house (DOD) manpower level by type
4. Manpower furnished by AOMC-Redstone complex - identify
5. Contractural support in local area - identify
6. Other contracts
7. Current status of project
8. Projected status at end of current fiscal year - including manpower and funding requirements for FY 1961.

B. Anticipated project follow-on (In as much detail as possible)

C. Other projects contemplated for FY 1961 (In as much detail as possible)

3. The technical survey teams by area of assignment follow. The team-leader is the underlined name.

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Wieder, Paul
Lindstrom

- A. SCIENTIFIC PAYLOADS: - Newell, Stoller, Clark, Augenstein,
D. Williamson
- B. PROPULSION DEVELOPMENT & SATURN VEHICLES: - Hyatt, Tischler, Hall
- C. ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY & SUPPORTING RESEARCH: -
Sanders, Cortright, Crocker Martin
- D. D.O.D. PROJECTS: - Mitchell, Disher, Pozinsky
- E. LAUNCH OPERATIONS: - Buckley, Hammond, Bailey
- F. TECHNICAL FACILITY DEVELOPMENT PLANS: -
Rothrock, Woodward, Heaton

4. The Scientific Payload team will be at ABMA on October 27 in accordance with previously arranged plans. It will remain over on October 28 to complete discussions. All other teams will go to ABMA the evening of October 28 and will hold their discussions on October 29 and 30.

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ABMA
 Mission
 Computer
 Administration
 Test Lab
 Saturn design
 Sanders
 Holzner
 MARS
 Heimbach
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