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MEMORANDUM for the Record

During the absence of Dr. Seamans, Mr. Harlow J. Longfelder of Boeing, in the company of Mr. Jack B. Marshman, dropped by to ask about Boeing's participation in the Apollo study at their own expense. They had previously been to see Bob Filand of the Space Task Group, George Low, and Abe Silverstein. At all stops they were told that NASA would welcome their participation and would make available to them any information that was made available to the paid study contractors. This last stop on the line was merely to complete the circuit, I think, and to call attention to the fact that they have some concern that NASA might not have the time to deal with unpaid contractors. I offered them my reassurance that in a study of this length where no major information exchanges were anticipated we probably would be able to give them the service they might expect. I further indicated that I would check into this matter and call them. I called Longfelder today after checking with Silverstein and gave him essentially the same story indicating, however, that it would be appropriate for Boeing to write to the Associate Administrator of NASA indicating the company's desire to participate and asking for a confirmation of our willingness to cooperate with them. This letter should be forthcoming. In the meantime, Boeing is proceeding with Apollo type studies and Dr. Silverstein is preparing for the Associate Administrator the statement of the NASA position relative to unpaid study contractors in the Apollo program.

/s/
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