National Security Decision Memorandum 187

TO: The Secretary of State
    The Secretary of Defense
    The Administrator, National Aeronautics
    and Space Administration
    The Secretary of Commerce
    The Director, Office of Telecommunications Policy

SUBJECT: International Space Cooperation - Technology
and Launch Assistance

The President has reviewed the third study prepared in response to
NSSM 72 as forwarded by the Chairman of the NSC Under Secretaries
Committee on June 12, 1972. The President has approved:

-- The statement of objectives at Attachment 1 as the basis
   for international cooperation in space activities.

-- The directive on technology transfer at Attachment 2, which,
   insofar as it applies to communications satellite technology,
   will become effective only upon the entry into force of the
   definitive Intelsat agreements.

The President has also decided that the U.S. will extend to all friendly
countries and international organizations the position on launch assis­
tance adopted in the case of member countries of the European Space
Conference (Attachment 3).

Effective upon entry into force of the definitive Intelsat agreements,
NSAM 354 and paragraphs 2, 4, 5 and 6 of NSAM 338 are hereby
rescinded.

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An ad hoc committee is hereby established to review the implementation of these decisions. This committee will be chaired by the Executive Secretary of the National Aeronautics and Space Council, and will include members from the staffs of the National Security Council, the Office of Science and Technology, and the Council on International Economic Policy.

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cc: The Director, Office of Science and Technology
    The Executive Secretary, National Aeronautics and Space Council
    The Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
    The Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission
    The Director, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency

Attachment