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Dear Chuck:

(8) Enclosed you will find a memorandum I have prepared in response to your request. It summarizes the features of the main concerns of the Department of Defense as I understand them about the sensor complement on the proposed SEASAT-A spacecraft. These concerns are distilled from my discussions with the principal operational military components who have expressed concern and who are contributing to the JCS paper which will form the basis for a unified DoD position. That paper is being prepared for Secretary of Defense consideration by the Joint Staff at this time.

(9) This distillation contains my judgments of what the military concerns are. However, I believe it is representative of the central concerns which will survive critical review at the highest levels in the DoD. Several of the command link, satellite control and data release options which you are now considering would appear to alleviate much of the concern outlined in the memorandum. The extent to which additional problems remain can be addressed at the scheduled May 16 meeting of the Data Committee.

Sincerely,

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