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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 50

TO:

Dr. Edward C. Welsh, Executive Secretary, National

Agronautics and Space Council

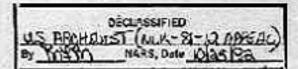
SUBJECT: Official Announcements of Launching Into Space of Systems

Involving Nuclear Power in Any Form

The President desires to reserve to himself all first official announcements covering the launching into space of systems involving nuclear power in any form. The President is especially concerned with announcements relating to the planned use of SNAP devices abourd TRANSIT satellites which are testatively scheduled for launching in June and July of 1961. Will you please advise members of the Space Council of the President's interest.

MaGeorge Bundy

cc: President's Press Secretary
The Director, United States Information Agency



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