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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing

1. At approximately 1530 hours on 26 August 1964, Mr. Eugene Kiefer called to inform us of the following requirement. Presumably we will hear of this from Dr. Wheelon.

2. Apparently General Carter and Mr. Vance met the afternoon of the 26th and following that meeting, Mr. Vance asked Gene Kiefer to alert OSA to a requirement for a briefing next Tuesday afternoon, 1 September. The briefing is to be given to Messrs. Vance, Fubini, and McMillan; and, according to Mr. Kiefer, there is some possibility that the DCI will be present. The briefing is to concern itself with the reasons or justifications for a U-2L buy versus the conversion of U-2As to the F, G, or H model. Gene said this part of the briefing should not necessarily consist of a strong pitch to sell the U-2L since he understands the decision has already been made to convert U-2As to satisfy CIA requirements.

3. This briefing should also include the rationale and justification for the specific U-2 force level we foresee as a requirement in the future or specifically how many U-2As will have to be converted, on the basis of predicted attrition, to satisfy our long-range requirements. These gentlemen will also expect to be briefed on the concept under which the A-12 will be introduced into the total CIA overflight capability and specifically how the A-12 will dovetail with the U-2s in order to satisfy the total projected overflight requirement.

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