

27 July 1966

Memo for Record

Subject: Life Support Equipment Meeting

1. A Life Support Equipment meeting was held 27 July 1966 and attended by the following personnel:



2. The following areas were discussed:

a. Errors or misfits of equipment from David Clark Company: [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he could not comment on the most recent problems until he returned to the factory, however he would take corrective action to prevent future mistakes from occurring. He suggested that he might have to maintain an individual size and mold file on each subject that would accompany the piece of equipment through the entire assembly. Example was molded fingers for the gloves. By doing so they could maintain a control of special requirements for each subject.

b. [redacted] requested that [redacted] come up with a fix on the incompatibility of the PPG visor and the bumped out helmet. By being able to fit the PPG visor on all helmets, the present inventory of PPG visors can be properly utilized. [redacted] stated that to do this modification, the glass would no doubt have to be cut to fit and any adjustments necessary could then be made up in the housing. He suggested the helmets be sent back to factory for modification as soon as able. [redacted] suggested we modify 1054-2 with PPG visor as soon as 1054-4 helmet is satisfactory and in service, as Subject 1054 has requested the next PPG visor. [redacted] requested that all PPG visors be utilized.

3. Phase II.

[redacted] has a phase II helmet that he does not use. There are two (2) spare phase II helmets at [redacted] (Proto Type & [redacted]) and subject 1051 both have phase II helmets in service. 1051 has just received a new phase II helmet and is also now in service. This makes a total of 6 phase II helmets at [redacted]. Subject 1046 has requested a phase II helmet and [redacted] has requested a second phase II helmet. Consideration is being given these requests. [redacted] asked who owns this equipment. [redacted] stated "Project." The question also come up as to who maintains [redacted] equipment. We have been doing it, but are we responsible? [redacted] said he would find out at Hq upon his return.

On file USAF release instructions apply.

4. Suits.

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a. We presently are maintaining 3 suits that belong to test pilots that do not work primarily at [redacted] any longer. [redacted] has two suits here that have not been used for over a year. [redacted] has a suit here that has not been used for over 6 months. What are we to do with these suits?

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[redacted] action.

b. Due to the advent of the rear entry suit, we are accumulating spare U entry suits. [redacted] requested that as all subjects convert to rear entry suits, the old U entry suit be retained as an individual suit to be utilized in the various types of training.

c. Subject 1048 who is departing [redacted] stated that he was taking his suits with him. [redacted] questioned what authority to take suits from [redacted] This is being researched as they will not be released until paper work authorizing this is received [redacted]

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d. [redacted] requested that subjects be asked if they would like zipper entry gloves. Three pair of zipper gloves will be procured as evaluation items.