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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Plans and Development/NPIC  
SUBJECT: Staff Study for Color Film/Print Drying  
REFERENCE: NPIC/TDS/D/6/-1733

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1. General:

We feel that in order to receive the approval of the DDI this study must be pitched more to new principles, techniques or methods of drying color materials rather than an urgent need at NPIC which, in truth, does not exist. This feeling is based on the DDI's disapproval of the [redacted] and [redacted] recent memo to COMOR D-13/52-17 dated 10 November 1966 regarding NRO's present stand on the use of color.

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2. Specifically:

Page 1, Paragraph 2. Facts Bearing on the Problem

Item A. We feel that this is a weak "fact" and that the reaction of the DDI might very well be "so what"?

Item B. As of today this statement is not true, several missions ago PAG decided to dispense with the color vugraphs of KH mission tracks to get the reaction of the community and to date there have been no complaints so the general feeling is that these vugraphs will probably be discontinued. The preparation of color vugraphs on other than KH missions has been discontinued for quite some time.

Item C. We feel that the drying alley we have on order will be able to cope with the output of the Automats. Bear in mind that the only "bulk" we have been called upon to produce to date has been the above mentioned vugraphs.

Page 2, Item B. - Origin of Concept

We feel that the first and last sentence of this paragraph are good. The rest will hurt rather than help the case for a study.

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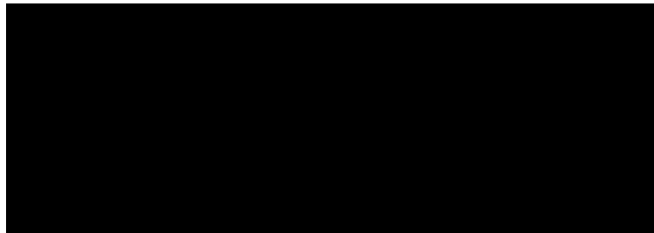
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3. We repeat that we are in perfect accord with the idea of studying new techniques and feel that this is only hope that this proposal has of gaining approval. Finally we feel that the price is too high and should be negotiated again.

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Chief, Production Services Division,  
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