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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Space Programs Section of Soviet Strategic Defense
Programs Paper

Larry:

This is good. I have a few suggestions. You know I like to get their attention early. I'd start with paragraphs 95-96 and then follow with details on the size and nature of the program. But I defer to your judgment if you think that puts it out of whack.

If you start off with something like paragraph 95, I'd round it out by adding a few sentences about the significance of large boosters and manned platforms for research on BMD, for weapons and ECM capability.

Tell them what you're going to tell them, then tell them, then tell them what you told them, or at least two out of three.

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