MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Civil Applications Committee Meeting, 30 August 1976

The Chairman announced that a planned information briefing to potential civilian users has been firmly scheduled for 1300 hours, 15 October 1976, at CIA's "Beehive Auditorium". A dry run is to be held between 5-7 October in connection with the next Civil Applications Committee regular meeting. The briefing will be at the SECRET non-codeword level. Questions from the floor will be entertained. The objective of the briefing is to inform potential users of the capabilities that exist and educate them on potential uses of these capabilities. Invitational letters (SECRET level) will be dispatched "advertising" the briefing. For the briefing to be considered a success it will be necessary to have in attendance a good representation from all potential civilian agencies authorized to use the classified product.

The CIA ex-officio member has been requested to furnish the CIA General Counsel opinion on the "proper use" in question.

CIA, stated that this is a difficult subject and one in which legal counsels are having much trouble. During the discussion, it was mentioned that it might be possible to use the product (at the SECRET level).

The Chairman stated that he had requested membership on the Space Policy Committee but had been nicely turned down; however, was told that he would be invited to attend as an observer when matters directly concerning the CAC were discussed.

Committee members felt that their use of the product should be considered in connection with the JOC evaluations that will be conducted over the next year. It was decided that the proper form for these inputs would be through the Mapping, Charting and Geodesy Working Group of COMIREX.