

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

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NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION MEMORANDUM 70

TO:

The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense

The Director, National Aeronautics and Space

Administration

The Director, Office of Science and Technology The Executive Secretary, National Aeronautics

and Space Council

SUBJECT: International Space Cooperation: US-USSR Activities

The President has decided that space cooperation with the Soviet Union should be pursued simultaneously through high-level diplomatic and technical agency channels. He has noted and approved the scope of a US-USSR cooperative space program forwarded from the Ad Hoc Committee on International Space Cooperation through the NSC Under Secretaries Committee.

The President does not, at this time, desire to send a formal communication to Premier Kosygin urging closer space cooperation. He will, however, consider such a message whenever it appears likely that a concrete program proposal will be favorably received by the Soviet Union.

Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Director, Office of Management and Budget Mr. Peter M. Flanigan

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