

Accordingly, to preserve potential competition for multi-mission reconnaissance satellites forecast for the future, we recommend that coverage for signal intelligence capability be added to the definition of "Payload" in Definition H of the Final Judgment. The clarified definition would read that "Payload means the assembly or assemblies on a Satellite that use electro-optical technology, infrared technology, electronic signal intelligence technology or radar technology..." The last sentence of Definition H should be modified to read, "Payload expressly excludes those payloads whose primary mission is communications, but includes those payloads whose primary mission is to gather intelligence through signal interception."

Classified Systems.

Many of the systems covered are likely to be highly classified. If NOC/TRW positions itself for a sole source award, Government agencies may be reluctant to provide security billets to other potentially competing contractors. We would like to see the Compliance Officer specifically empowered by the Final Judgment to sponsor potential competitors for security access to covered programs.

Thank you for considering our comments. Please contact my focal point on this matter, Jeffrey Rohm at 562-797-1143, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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