TO: 358/Ronald D. English
FROM: 103/Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Success of the Scout Project

The fact that the Scout launch vehicle performed the "anchor-man" function for a 100-percent successful NASA launch record in 1972 is a significant accomplishment. This achievement is even more impressive in view of the five launches this year by Scout, increasing the successful Scout series to a record-breaking 28 in a row.

An additional accomplishment which impressed many of us, though not as widely known, was the hard-hitting project review conducted during the year to critically examine all aspects of the project and to undertake special actions enhancing the probability of extending the consecutive success record significantly.

Heartiest congratulations are extended to you and your project team, including all contractor personnel. You can be justly proud of these accomplishments and the contributions they have made to this Nation's space effort.

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