

APPENDIX E

HEARINGS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MANNED SPACE FLIGHT, DOUGLAS
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DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT CO., INC.,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
Santa Monica, Calif., March 28, 1967.

HON. OLIN E. TEAGUE,
*Chairman, Manned Space Flight Subcommittee,
U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

MY DEAR MR. TEAGUE: Your visit to our Space Systems Center on February 18 with members of your subcommittee and staff gave us a welcome opportunity to report on the present status of our efforts as prime contractor to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration on the Saturn S-IVB stage, and on our view of the essential elements of the national space program beyond Saturn/Apollo.

The record of the day's discussion has been compiled in the enclosed document for your future reference, as you requested. It includes a transcript of the presentations by T. D. Smith, senior director, Saturn/Apollo programs; and C. J. Dorrenbacher, vice president, Advance Systems and Technology, with all of the graphic materials they used.

As you know, progress in the Saturn/Apollo program has reached the point where future applications beyond the lunar landing are demonstrable. The essence of this report is that the experience we have gained will allow us to go forward with existing systems and hardware, while continuing to develop the essential technology for even greater advances in the long-term future.

Once again, I would like to express my thanks to you, your subcommittee, and staff for inviting us to make this presentation as a part of your deliberations. Your continued awareness and personal interest in the progress and needs of the space program are most gratifying to those of us in the aerospace industry.

Sincerely,

DONALD W. DOUGLAS, JR.