

**UPRATED SATURN I
AS-202/203 RESCHEDULING**

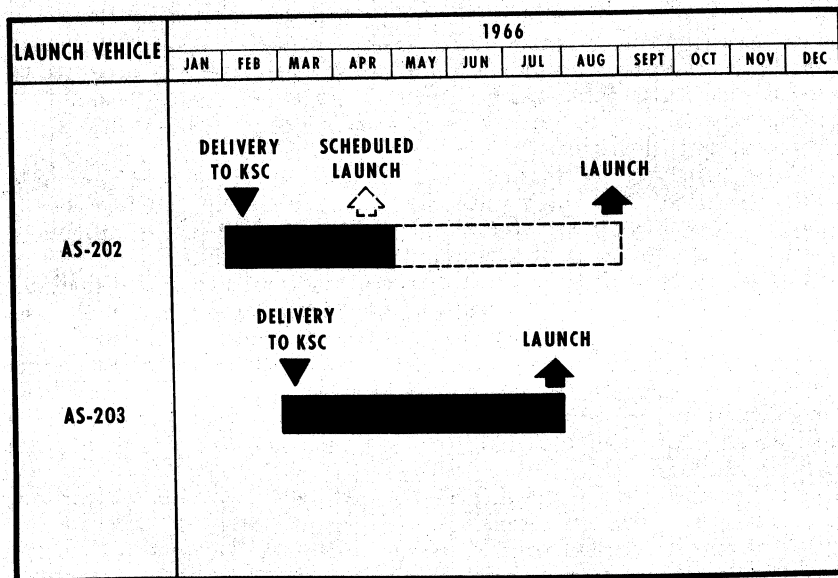


FIGURE 14

it was not delivered to KSC as scheduled. Marshall was asked if AS-203 could be launched ahead of AS-202. After some detailed examination and some reprogramming within our own sphere of influence, we decided that AS-203 could be launched prior to AS-202 with only minimum effect on the program. This was more desirable than sliding the schedule down through the Uprated Saturn I and even into the Saturn V program. We moved, and AS-203 was launched, as indicated. AS-202 was launched about 1 month later. The importance of this is that we have our hardware qualified and rolling into the manufacturing process, as subsequent illustrations will show.

We do have some flexibility to deal with uncertainties which we may be required to deal with as a result of the AS-204 spacecraft loss and tragedy. In view of the accident 2 weeks ago and the probability of reprogramming following the Accident Investigation Board report, the delivery dates and mission assignments that I refer to today may be changed at some later date.

Despite changes to manned flight schedules, NASA does plan to proceed with the launch of three unmanned flights this year. These are the Uprated Saturn I AS-206 and the Saturn V AS-501 and AS-502. The first manned orbital flight will be accomplished with a Block II Command and Service Module on an Uprated Saturn I launch vehicle. When the AS-204 investigation is completed, changes will be determined and flight schedules will be established.