

ARMY BALLISTIC MISSILE AGENCY  
U. S. ARMY ORDNANCE MISSILE COMMAND  
REDSTONE ARSENAL, ALABAMA

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

ORDAB-D

30 April 1960

Major General Don R. Ostrander, USAF  
Director, Launch Vehicle Programs  
National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
1520 H Street Northwest  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Ostrander:

Reference is made to your letter dated 25 April 1960, signed by Abe Hyatt, concerning the two-day general briefing in Washington on 28-29 July 1960.

I have noted that I am scheduled for a 20-minute presentation on the SATURN Development Program during this briefing. Would it be possible for you to nominate Dr. Rees for this? I realize that we have not yet discussed this matter, but my reason in asking is this: For several months I have been planning to go on leave beginning 23 July through 12 August. As you know, my mother died a few months ago and my father has not only been terribly depressed ever since, but also had to undergo a major operation which was pretty rough for a man age 82. Thus my wife and I had planned to go to Europe to visit my father and combine this with a little vacation. Because of the difficulty in getting transatlantic plane reservations during the summer months we made such reservations several weeks ago. We can cancel them, of course, but it seems to be rather difficult to get other ones at this late date. Our tentative plan is to combine the overseas trip with my participation in the International Astronautical Federation Congress at Stockholm, Sweden, 15-20 August, and we would return immediately thereafter.

I would appreciate it if you would give your approval to this travel plan and have Dr. Rees give the 20-minute review

UB  
permanently