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SUBJECT: By-Name Request

TO:

1. Request the below named individual be assigned to DCS R&D/AFRDR.

a. SMITH, Harold F., LtCol, 478-28-4009FR, Security Clearance-TS, AFSC-E2816.

b. Current Assignment: Hq ASD, Drone/RPV SPO, WPAFB, Ohio.

c. Education: BS Aeronautical Engineering, MS R&D Mgt, BGe Military Science.

d. Special Education/Qualifications: Registered Professional Engineer, Texas Nr. 32389. Graduate of Defense Weapon Systems Mgt Course (DWSMC) Class 70D.

e. Experience: LtCol Smith has been assigned to key drone positions since early 1964 in Hq SAC/DCS Materiel, Hq AFLC/DCS Maint Engr and Hq ASD/Drone/RPV SPO. He was the first drone project officer in SAC headquarters materiel, supporting the original deployment to SEA. He became the acquisition program manager at Hq AFLC/MAZ in 1967. In 1969 he was instrumental in the creation of the Drone/RPV SPO and was the first incumbent in the position of Chief, Drone Projects Division, and he was the first program

manager for Defense Suppression Task 05.

e. DEROS: 31 May 72.

f. Aero Rating: None.

2. Justification: Colonel Smith has the program manager responsible for bringing several drone systems into the inventory; among them: the AQM-34P, Combat Dawn, Combat Angel and Task 05 (BGM-34A). His unique background is a one-of-a-kind in the USAF personnel inventory today. His extensive background, acquisition management experience and broad knowledge of on-going USAF drone/RPV programs will be invaluable to my staff. The current importance of unmanned systems requires the most qualified people direct the R&D effort at this level. Colonel Smith is the most qualified individual to fill this urgent requirement and his immediate assignment will best fill the needs of the USAF.