

SPACE UK (BROHP) CONFERENCE 2008: NUCLEAR PARALLEL PROGRAMME

(organised by the Mountbatten Centre for International Studies (MCIS), in collaboration with BROHP, as part of their AHRC Nuclear History Project)

Thursday, March 27th

1100-1230

Plenary Session

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Session Two: 1400-1530 The Mutual Defence Agreement 1958

(Chair: Kate Pyne)

Presentation i. The background to the MDA, 1952-1958 - Brian Jamison

Presentation ii. The operation of the MDA, 1958-1965 - Richard Moore

Session Three: 1600-1730 Round Table Discussion on the MDA

(Moderator: John Simpson)

Frank Panton

Eric Younson

Ken Johnston

Friday, March 28th

Session Four: 0900-1030 Strategic Nuclear Targeting of the V-Force

(Chair: Brian Jamison)

Presentation i. UK involvement in the Cuban Missile Crisis - Robin Woolven (*Mountbatten*)

Presentation ii. UK-US Strategic Nuclear Targeting, 1964-1976 - Roy

Brocklebank (*CRAF Navigator*)

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Session Five: 1100-1230 Intelligence and the Soviet Nuclear Threat

(Chair: Richard Moore)

Presentation i. UK-US Intelligence and the Soviet Nuclear Threat, 1955-1965
- Catherine Haddon (*Cub + Bomb*)

Presentation ii. UK-US Intelligence and the Soviet Nuclear Threat, 1965-1975
- Kristan Stoddart

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Session Six: 1400-1530 Putting the PSA into Practise

(Chair: Robin Woolven)

Presentation i. The Setting Up of the Polaris Programme, 1963-1968 - John
Coker

Presentation ii. The Impact of Polaris on Strategic Deterrence, 1968/9 - John
Coker (*Formal Naval Imposition of force*)

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Session Seven: 1600-1730 Cold War Establishments/WE-177

(Chair: John Simpson)

Presentation i. Foulness - Wayne Cocroft

Presentation ii. WE-177 - Mike Fazackerley

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Saturday, March 29th

Session Eight: 0900-1030 Thor and Spy Satellites

(Chair: Kristan Stoddart)

Presentation i. Thor - John Boyes tbc

Presentation ii. Eyes in the Sky - Pat Norris tbc