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Introduction

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I wish General Rushworth could spend some time with this meeting, because I'm sure he would contribute in many areas.

Next we're privileged to have with us, and he's going to be here most of the day I understand, a man who brings a different perspective to the meeting. He's from Washington, he is in the Pentagon, and he is essentially a deputy assistant secretary although his title is a little different. He is a very strong man in electronics, and this meeting is blending electronics and flight controls. He's been a professor in that area at a number of different universities, and he's also been involved in the electronic industry. He came to the Air Force from IBM, so he's very well up-to-speed in all these areas, but he brings some distinct qualities. Since I've known Walt he has a very strong flavor for precision. He has a tremendous capacity to delve into the fundamentals, into the basics, and I'm sure while he is here he will task you wherever he sees it necessary to get down to the basics and make sure your thinking is clear from the fundamentals on up to the problem that you're considering. So it's a distinct pleasure this morning to also be able to introduce, to give a few words, Dr. Walt Beam, the deputy for advanced technology, working for Dr. Martin who is Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for research, development, and now logistics.