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SUBJECT: CONTRACT No.w-555(00) - TRANSMITTAL OF PROGRESS REPORT NUMBER 5.

Enclosure: (A) AALnc. Packing List No. 744 and enclosures listed thereon.

1. Six (6) copies of AIRCRAFT ARMAMENTS, INC. Engineering Report No. Er-13716, covering progress on the subject contract during the month of November 1952 is being forwarded in accordance with the requirements of the subject contract.

2. It is requested that the enclosed Interim Progress Reports be inserted in the folder previously transmitted with the first monthly progress report.

Very truly yours,

AIRCRAFT ARMAMENTS, INC.

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INTERIM PROGRESS REPORT NO. 6
RESEARCH ON OPERATIONAL FEASIBILITY OF SCATTER PROJECTILES
Contract No. Nonr 555(50)

Report Period November 1 - 30, 1952
Date of Report December 9, 1952

I. SUMMARY OF THE NATURE AND PROGRESS OF THE WORK INCORPORATING DESIGN DISCUSSION

During the month of November, 1952 the multiple launching activity was limited to a few 20 MM and shot gun multiple launchings. The results of these launchings are not reported since the only purpose for them was to attempt to establish proper packing arrangements and because of this the accuracy varied considerably.

The .30 caliber firings were limited to tests at NOL where data on the final selected projectiles is being obtained. Projectiles with 30 and 70 canted fins were fired during these tests. Preliminary data is expected to be available during December, 1952.

During the report period several projectiles and sabots were manufactured in preparation for increased firing activity during the month of December, 1952.

Considerable experimentation has been conducted on better heat treat methods for both the projectiles and the coining dies. As a result of this investigation, better die life has resulted and it is believed that the projectiles are more uniform and have better structural characteristics.
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Activity on multiple launchings during this period was curtailed to some extent since AAInc. and ONR believed it desirable to await the NOL test results.

II ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE TO COMPLETE

The total expenditure of funds to date is approximately 90%. Complete, however, the percentage complete of the project based on AIRCRAFT ARMAMENTS, INC. understanding of the work required by ONR to complete the program is approximately 60% complete.