- (1) That a failure to obtain requested records on an expedited basis could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual; or
- (2) With respect to a request made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information, urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal government activity.
- (s) The term *electronic reading room* means a World Wide Web site from which members of the public can access information regarding activities, missions, organizations, publications, or other material related to NASA's congressional mandate.

## §1206.102 General policy.

- (a) In accordance with section 203(a)(3) of the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 (42 U.S.C. 2473(a)(3)), it has been and continues to be NASA policy to provide for the 'widest practicable and appropriate dissemination of information concerning its activities and the results thereof.'
- (b) In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552), a positive and continuing obligation exists for NASA to make available to the fullest extent practicable upon request by members of the public all Agency records under its jurisdiction, as described in Subpart 2 of this part, except to the extent that they may be exempt from disclosure under Subpart 3 of this part.

## Subpart 2—Records Available

## § 1206.200 Types of records to be made available.

- (a) Records required to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The following records are required to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, for codification in Title 14, Chapter V, of the CFR.
- (1) Description of NASA Headquarters and NASA Centers and the established places at which, the employees from whom, and the methods whereby, the public may secure information, make submittals or requests, or obtain decisions;
- (2) Statements of the general course and method by which NASA's functions

- are channeled and determined, including the nature and requirements of all formal and informal procedures available:
- (3) Rules of procedure, descriptions of forms available or the places at which forms may be obtained, and instructions regarding the scope and contents of all papers, reports, or examinations;
- (4) Substantive rules of general applicability adopted as authorized by law, and statements of general policy or interpretations of general applicability formulated and adopted by NASA;
- (5) Each amendment, revision, or repeal of the foregoing.
- (b) Agency opinions, orders, statements, and manuals.
- (1) Unless they are exempt from disclosure under Subpart 3 of this part, or unless they are promptly published and copies offered for sale, NASA shall make available the following records for public inspection and copying or purchase:
- (i) All final opinions (including concurring and dissenting opinions) and all orders made in the adjudication of cases;
- (ii) Those statements of NASA policy and interpretations which have been adopted by NASA and are not published in the FEDERAL REGISTER;
- (iii) Administrative staff manuals (or similar issuances) and instructions to staff that affect a member of the public:
- (iv) Copies of all records, regardless of form or format, which have been released to any person under subpart 6 herein and which, because of the nature of their subject matter, the Agency determines have become or are likely to become the subject of subsequent requests for substantially the same records.
- (v) A general index of records referred to under paragraph (b)(1)(iv) of this section.
- (2) (i) For records created after November 1, 1997, which are covered by paragraph (b)(l)(i) through (b)(l)(v) of this section, such records shall be available electronically, through an electronic reading room and in electronic forms or formats.