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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DPD

SUBJECT: CORONA Participation in the National Emergency War Plan

REFERENCE:

- A. Memorandum to AC/DPD from DPD/C/SPB; subject as above; dated 18 January 1962 [redacted]
- B. Memorandum to DD/P from AC/DPD; subject as above; dated 18 January 1962 [redacted]

1. I recommend the subject of CORONA's participation in the National Emergency War plan be reexamined. This action is warranted because several important events have transpired since the proposal was previously considered:

a. Doctor Scoville has replaced Mr. Bissell as the Deputy Director (Research).

b. In the inspectors report there was the recommendation for the development of a quick reaction capability within the CORONA program.

2. Valuable as the EWP capability is to the nation there is a bonus in establishing this quick reaction capability. In view of the conflict that is developing between the USSR and the United States over the proposal to resume atomic testing in the atmosphere, the advantages of a quick reaction capability, to insure timely ~~inspiration~~ can readily be seen.

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