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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT : CORONA

Dear [REDACTED]

In [REDACTED] dated 11 July 1967, I found an interesting summary of CORONA Mission 1042-2. The last sentence is quoted for your edification: "The preliminary readout produced no significant information on these targets, many of which were cloud covered."

In the [REDACTED] the following statement is made. "Mission 1042 is considered to be one of the better flights. Fewer than usual anomalies were experienced and good image quality was obtained. Unusually crisp appearance of the photography in cloud free areas resulted from generally low haze conditions. The photo interpretability of Mission 1042 is judged to be generally good. The interpreters made particular mention of the favorable atmospheric conditions prevailing over many of the target areas."

This is typical of the treatment given CORONA by the DDI and [REDACTED] evaluators. I have investigated many of these derogatory remarks and find little foundation for the criticism. Guess the CIA Imagery Analysis Staff and our PEIR experts look down a different tube!

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