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[REDACTED] TALENT-KETHOLE CORONA [REDACTED]

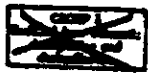
IMMEDIATE DELIVERY TO COMOR MEMBERS AND [REDACTED]
FOLLOWING ARE NEW PARAS 7 AND 8 OF DRAFT [REDACTED]
SUBMITTED BY [REDACTED]

7. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM [REDACTED] AS TO
WHETHER 1039J COULD BE PROPERLY PROGRAMMED WITHOUT BENEFIT
OF AN UP-TO-DATE "HOLIDAY" MAP BASED ON 1038J, [REDACTED]
SAID THAT NOT HAVING A COMPLETE MAP MIGHT LEAD TO UNNECESSARY
PROGRAMMING. AS SOON AS AMS COMPILES THE FINAL "HOLIDAY"
MAPS ON 1038J, THE NRO CAN MAKE ADJUSTMENTS AS REQUIRED.

8. [REDACTED] INTRODUCED A GENERAL DISCUSSION
OF THE ROLE OF CORONA. HE DESCRIBED THE NRO INTERPRETATION

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OF THE NEW SEARCH ROLE OF CORONA AS LIMITING NRO PRETTY STRICTLY TO SEARCH WITH ONLY 5 PER CENT OF THE FILM TO BE USED ON SPECIFIC TARGETS. IN THIS CONNECTION HE NOTED THAT 16 PER CENT WAS EXPENDED ON SPECIFIC TARGETS ON 1039J. [REDACTED] POINTED OUT THAT 50 PER CENT OF THE TARGET COMPLEXES LISTED IN [REDACTED] SHOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED TO HOLIDAY COVERAGE SINCE THEY HAD NOT BEEN COVERED IN OVER SIX MONTHS. [REDACTED] CONSIDERED THAT THE NEED FOR CORONA IN A BACKUP ROLE TO [REDACTED] HAD BEEN TACITLY DROPPED OR REDUCED TO THE 5 PER CENT WHEN [REDACTED] BEGAN ITS PERIOD OF SUCCESSFUL OPERATION. THE CIA MEMBER NOTED THAT HIS AGENCY IS MOST CONCERNED WITH THE SURVEILLANCE ROLE OF CORONA. [REDACTED] WISHED IT MADE A MATTER OF RECORD THAT THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF 1039J, IN

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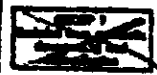
THE ESTIMATION OF CIA, IS ESSENTIAL SURVEILLANCE OF ICBM
 AREAS. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT DIA WOULD ALWAYS
 EXPECT CORONA TO PROVIDE A VALID UPDATE OF SURVEILLANCE
 TARGETS COVERED PREVIOUSLY BY [REDACTED] THE CHAIRMAN
 OBSERVED THAT COMOR APPEARS TO BE ATTACKING A PROBLEM
 THAT MAY BE MORE SEMANTIC THAN SUBSTANTIVE.

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