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1. CHAIRMAN, COMIREX, HAS EVALUATED THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF THE PERIGEE ALTITUDE OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR REF MISSION. ON BALANCE, AND AFTER CONSIDERATION OF ALL SIGNIFICANT FACTORS, IT IS RECOMMENDED THE NRO SELECT A PERIGEE ALTITUDE IN THE 85-90 NM RANGE. THIS WILL: IMPROVE THE OVERALL QUALITY OF THE ASCENDING/DESCENDING PHOTOGRAPHY; ALLOW CONSIDERATION OF ASCENDING COLLECTION FOR INTELLIGENCE PROBLEMS OTHER THAN THE ICBM SEARCH PROBLEM AND INCREASE THE PROBABILITY OF CLOUD-FREE PHOTOGRAPHY OF COMIREX PRIORITY OBJECTIVES.

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2. THIS OFFICE IS AWARE THE REDUCED PERIGEE ALTITUDE MAY RESULT IN SOME REDUCTION IN THE OVERALL QUANTITY OF IMAGERY OBTAINED AGAINST THE SEARCH REQUIREMENTS, HOWEVER THE OTHER EXPECTED INTELLIGENCE BENEFITS ARE JUDGED TO OVERRIDE THIS FACTOR.

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