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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Military Representative of the President****The Deputy Under Secretary of State for  
Political Affairs****The Deputy Secretary of Defense****SUBJECT: Forecast of CIA Air Activities for  
December 1961**

1. Attached is a listing of planned CIA air activities for the month of December 1961, including scheduled Discoverer shots.

2. Two Discoverer flights were completed as scheduled during November. The CORONA shot set for 1 November was launched and achieved orbit on 1 November but recovery was not accomplished due to loss of control gas. The CORONA shot set for 6 November was launched on 15 November and recovered successfully at the end of the first day. Early recovery was necessitated by the loss of control gas. Further orbit would reduce recovery possibilities.

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FORECAST OF CIA AIR ACTIVITIES FOR DECADERS 1961

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PROJECT	VEHICLE	TYPE	DATE*	COUNTRY	APPROVED BY	DATE APPROV
IDEALIST (see section)	B-2	Probe	1-5 Dec	China	Special Group	11 May 1961
EAGLE	Chinas PRVT	Missile	None scheduled			
Tibet Ops (see section)	C-119	Resupply Drop	16-25 Dec	Tibet	Special Group	12 Mar 1961
2. Vietnam Ops (see section)	C-47	1 Personnel Drop 1 Resupply Drop	16-25 Dec	Laos - N, Vietnam	Special Group	23 June 1961
Discoveries	CORONA	Photo Intel	12 Dec	Various Areas		

\* Dates are tentative and subject to change because of weather or other operational considerations.

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