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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF SATELLITE DERIVED ELINI TO NATO

- YOUR EFFORTS IN ASSISTING [ ] IN DEVELOPING A POSITION ON RELEASE OF SATELLITE DERIVED ELINI ARE APPRECIATED. THE BRIEFING PROVIDED TO THE SIGINT COMMITTEE ON 3 JUNE WAS WELL RECEIVED AND PROVIDED COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH THEIR FIRST REAL INSIGHT INTO THE EASE WITH WHICH AN ANALYST CAN GET A FAIRLY COMPLETE PICTURE OF OUR ELINT SATELLITE MIX.
- ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EFFORT IS THE RELEASE OF DATA TO NATO. THE SIGINT COMMITTEE IS TASKING THE SORS TO DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR THE SIGINT COMMITTEE ON RELEASE OF SATELLITE DERIVED ELINI TO NATO AND HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING GENERAL GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW:
  - NO DATA IDENTIFIABLE TO [ ] WILL BE RELEASED.
  - USE THE DEMONSTRATED CAPABILITIES OF SOVIET ELINI SATELLITES AS A CONSTRAINT ON WHAT IS RELEASED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY THAT WE HAVE DEPLOYED IN SPACE.
  - CONSIDER THE USE OF SOI'S AS THE VEHICLE IN DEVELOPING WHAT INFORMATION IS RELEASABLE TO NATO AND DEVELOP AN INITIAL LIST OF SOI'S THAT COULD BE USED AS A BASELINE SHOULD THE SIGINT COMMITTEE ELECT TO GO THE SOI ROUTE. RECOMMEND THIS INITIAL LIST BE LIMITED TO SOI'S WITH STABLE PRI'S, (E.G., SIGNALS THAT CAN BE SORTED BY PRI DEINTERLEAVER).
  - DEVELOP SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS TO THE FIELDS IN THE TACELINT FORMAT MESSAGE (E.G., ONE TIME VICE UP AND DOWN TIMES, NEURAL QUALITY FACTORS OR CEP VICE ERROR ELLIPSE, LIMITED PARAMETRIC DESCRIPTIONS, ETC., OR SUMMARY INFORMATION ONLY IF TACELINT IS NOT NEEDED).
  - EXAMINE GEOGRAPHIC CONSTRAINTS, IF ANY, THAT SHOULD BE PLACED ON DISSEMINATION.
- IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU REVIEW PARAGRAPH 2A THROUGH E ABOVE AND PROVIDE ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE ON HOW BEST TO PROVIDE SATELLITE DERIVED ELINI DATA TO NATO WHILE MAINTAINING THE SECURITY OF "FACT OF" AT THE SECRET NOFORN LEVEL. ALSO REQUEST YOU PROVIDE A RECOMMENDED LIST OF SOI'S THAT WOULD MEET CONSTRAINTS ABOVE BY 23 JULY 1980.

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