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MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE INTERDEPARTMENTAL
CONTINGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (ICPC)

SUBJECT: Contingency Planning

One of the responsibilities of the ICPC Secretariat is to insure periodic review of all contingency plans to assess their adequacy in light of current circumstances.

In its most recent review, the Secretariat has pointed out that the IDEALIST TACKLE contingency plan covering ChiNat U-2 operations has not been reviewed by the ICPC since January 1965; the contingency plan covering satellite operations has not been reviewed by the ICPC since March 1965; the BLACK SHIELD contingency plan covering SR-71 overflight of North Korea has not been reviewed by the ICPC since March 1968; and, although the contingency plan covering D-21 drone overflight is current and the contingency plan covering the proposed AQM-37A drone overflight is ready for ICPC review, there is no contingency plan covering 147/154 drone missions.

It is absolutely essential that all satellite and air vehicle overflight projects, exclusive of those conducted peripherally or within military theaters, be covered by current contingency plans which reflect a fully coordinated U. S. Government position through the approval of the ICPC.

I request, therefore, that the following contingency plans be immediately updated by the action agency indicated; that the plans be submitted to the ICPC Secretariat; and that the Secretariat effect tentative approval of the plans through the Contingency Working/Action Group, CW/AG.

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<u>Plan</u>	<u>Action Agency</u>
SR-71	JCS
U-2	CIA/OSA
147/154	JCS
Satellite	SAFSS

Final review and approval of revised plans will be effected at a meeting which I will hold in September with the ICPC principals.

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