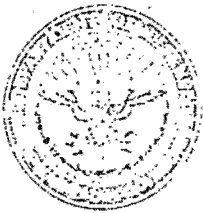


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MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE

SUBJECT: The National Reconnaissance Program Satellite
Contingency Coordination Group (NRP SCCG),
formerly the National Reconnaissance Program
Interdepartmental Contingency Planning Committee
(NRP ICPC)

Since the transfer of Project IDEALIST assets from the National Reconnaissance Program (NRP) to the Air Force on 1 August terminated NRP air vehicle operations, contingency planning and interdepartmental coordination for air vehicle operations over denied or sensitive areas is the responsibility of the Joint Reconnaissance Center, J-3, JCS. Responsibility for NRP satellite contingency planning remains with the NRP Satellite Contingency Coordination Group (SCCG), formerly the NRP Interdepartmental Contingency Planning Committee, and responsibilities and membership are as outlined in the attachment.

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In the event of a contingency incident, the Working Group will maintain a complete dossier of the matter for the DNRO. Additionally, with the assistance of the Secretariat, the Working Group will insure that the Chairman, SCCG Members, responsible Program Offices, and other United States Government officials are kept informed regarding contingency incidents.

At the conclusion of a contingency incident, the Working Group will review existing contingency plans in light of the experience gained and will recommend to the SCCG and the DNRO such changes as are appropriate. At the direction of the SCCG or the DNRO, the Working Group will assist in the preparation of new or revised NRP contingency plans.

The Working Group is composed of representatives appointed by each of the Committee Members and Advisors.

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The ICPC has provided a mechanism for establishment and coordination of cover stories for air vehicle operations, public responses to be used in the event of air vehicle and satellite contingencies, and policies regarding defensive satellite coorbital maneuvers. Action has been taken to transfer responsibility for all air vehicle contingency planning to the JCS.

In the event of a contingency situation, the ICPC would provide advice and assistance to the DNRO and assure a single spokesman for any public responses to the contingency.

*Has formal meeting on 2 April 1950. The ICPC has
"in abeyance"
operated since then of course, even as of 1950.*

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