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WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE NRO STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL BLANKENSHIP, SS-6

SUBJECT: Collection Requirements for HEXAGON Block IV

REFERENCE: WHIG 0370, 7 March 1975

The following paragraph was added to the reference per your request:

"C. Collection Requirements. For some time COMIREX has been accounting at the 3NM X 3NM cell level. COMIREX is in the process of grouping these cells into eight periodicities. Preliminary data is now available and will be provided for your study."

Do we intend to provide the data promised? Request you set a firm suspense for this action and inform SAFSP of the date they can expect to receive the data.

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1. ICBS is finalizing the 3x3 requirements at a special meeting tomorrow. This will include the definition of mode, frequency, and quality for each grouping of cells. A written document will be provided to the NRO (SPS Task E) by 28 March.
2. During the past 2 weeks we

HEXAGON

HANDLE VIA
BYEMAN
CONTROL SYSTEMCLASSIFIED BY BYEMAN - 1 EXEMPT FROM
GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE OF
EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652 EXEMPTION CATE-
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have been consulting with ch/ICRS on the best way to obtain / handle the 1.5×10^6 3×3 records. Our 494 a5 contractor has defined a mutually acceptable "packing" format and we expect the data tapes to be made available to us sometime next week.

3. [] should have a copy of the SPS minutes which refer to their redelegation and give an example. However, I have taken steps to acquire the complete reform documentation for SPS use. This package should be assembled and sent on next Tuesday's courier.

4. By Monday COB, I should be in the pentagon to coordinate a memo/memoage to SP on the new area requirements. SP should have sufficient information (but not too much) by 28 March.

