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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NAVAL RESEARCH LABORATORY
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Subj: POPPY Technical Operations Group (TOG) Meeting; Report of

Encl: (1) List of Attendees

(2) TOG Agenda

(3) POPPY Milestone Chart (Oct 71)

(4) POPPY Operational Highlights

1. A TOG meeting was held at 0930, 28 October 1971, at PM-16 in Jefferson Plaza Bldg. 1. The list of attendees and agenda are forwarded as enclosures (1) and (2). Enclosure (3) is the October POPPY Milestone chart. Highlights of the meeting follow:

a. 7105/6/7 Status

- (1) NSG Mission 7105 remains in an essentially stable condition with very low power storage and, as a consequence, is tasked only during sunlight illumination.
- (2) NSG Mission 7106 is regenerative in band ll. This band has been used in conjunction with the SLM feature to intercept data. Loss of this band would deprive the community of further technical data concerning this signal from 7106.
- (3) NRL Mission 7107 continues on track for a 14 December launch.

b. 7105/6 Operational Highlights

(1) See enclosure (4) for monthly highlights. The ocean surveillance work for the month in support of friendly naval maneuvers emphasized the fact that US and allied warships have characteristic (though largely uncatalogued) radar signatures which lend their platforms to successful identification.

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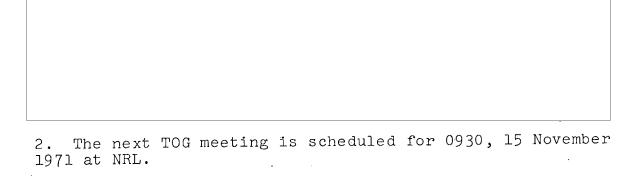
c. POPPY Processing Highlights

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(1) NSA - data are widely recorded and analyzed; consequently, except for completion of SLM tasks, it has been removed from the POPPY SOI list. emanating from a USSR, is believed to be used for research only. Regular POPPY tasking will probably yield intercepts and no special task is required.
(2) NSA - HEN HOUSE I, with a 189-degree boresight, was first detected in operation by other sensors 8 October 1971, but POPPY data have not yet reflected this activity.
(3) NSA - shows sufficient stability to admit the possibility of fingerprinting sites.
(4) NRL - NSA agree that the band 815 - 970 MHz in Mission 7107 will be set at -48 dbm threshold sensitivity in one satellite pair and -56 dbm in the other. These sensitivities will permit interception while guaranteeing, at least in the lower sensitivity pair, adequate opportunities to obtain unsaturated SLM data for ERP measurements of
d. PDE/7107 Interaction

- (2) NRL Mission 7107 satellite pairs will require some 42 days to achieve a one-horizon separation and approximately 90 days to thrust sufficiently for a half-orbit spacing. Following this effort, a Phase II engineering evaluation will be needed. NRL expects in the future to monitor the health of the ELINT payloads in Mission 7107 more stringently than it has in previous missions.



- (3) SOC The SOC agrees with the importance of complete engineering evaluations for the new mission and understands that tests involving 7107/PDE may be running for some 12 18 hours/day for 2 weeks after launch, with at least 10 more days required for PDE checkout. Tasking will be planned accordingly.
- (4) PM-16 NRL is asked to provide SOC and NSA its requirements for engineering tasking and SOC will develop appropriate task groups in consultation with NSA. A meeting is scheduled at NRL for 1330, 15 November.



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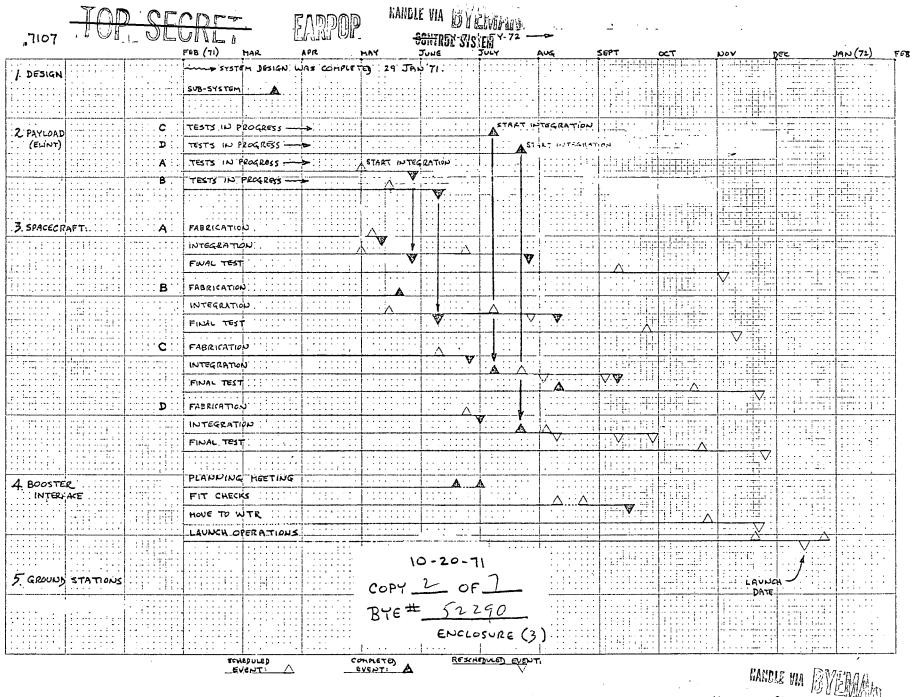
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POPPY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

24 Sept - 25 Oct 1971

During the last 30 days, the POPPY field sites have continued various special collection tasks besides the general search mission.

has been tasked over the last several months to attempt intercepts of the Moscow signal during coincident overhead passes of various Soviet satellites. A new special collection effort was established against
Since 31 August, when extended coverage of the emitter in the UAR was terminated, only one intercept location has been reported. No further intercepts have been made in support of Project FLAVOR during the last month.
An analytic effort to isolate emissions parametrically similar to the signal and possibly related to the SA-5 activity continues at only the four signals originally reported in late September have been detected to date.
On 25 October, another of a series of joint SAC/DIA/NSA reconnaissance flights was flown against the Soviet air defense zone structure. was tasked to collect against emitters in the grown two orbits of 7105 A/B and two orbits of 7105 C/D. Within the last year, POPPY sites have contributed to six of these missions.

The POPPY field sites have reported a total of 168 Soviet naval emitter locations during this reporting period. This compares to 475 and 350 intercept locations during the past two reporting periods. Locations during the last month were divided among the following geographic areas:

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