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Subj: POPPY Technical Operations Group (TOG) Meeting; report of

Encl: (1)

(1) Agenda

(2) List of Attendees

(3) Mission 7107 Status

(4) Collection Highlights

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- 1. The POPPY Technical Operations Group met at 0930 on 24 July 1975 at the Naval Security Group Command Headquarters. The meeting agenda and a list of attendees are forwarded as enclosures. (1) and (2).
- The following reports were provided and discussed:
- a. <u>Mission 7107 Status</u>. Enclosure (3), describing the status of the POPPY satellites, was submitted by the NRL representative.
- b. Ground Site Status. The Naval Security Group Command representative reported that all POPPY sites are up and operating. There has been a high incidence of short duration computer outages during the past month, including several on the SEL-86 computer system at ______ In spite of the outages, an availability of ninety eight percent is being realized. There is a backlog of routine requests for spares from the field sites awaiting action. Responses have continued to be prompt on outages that reduce operational capabilities.
- c. <u>Collection Highlights</u>. The Naval Security Group Command representative submitted enclosure (4) which describes collection highlights during the month. The report includes highlights on ocean surveillance, technical intelligence and electronic order of battle reporting.
- d. <u>Processing Highlights</u>. The NSA representative reported that POPPY had intercepted, located, and reported the second to join the Soviet Pacific Fleet. This was also intercepted in communications.

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3. General interest was expressed in the study on the vulnerability of Soviet radars to POPPY The SPO representative agreed to arrange a briefing during the next TOG meeting. 4. The Naval Security Group Command representative reported that the
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5. The SPO representative summarized the discussion of the June TOG meeting concerning termination or suspension of POPPY operations after the During the ensuing discussion, the pros and cons of several options were discussed. A consensus was reached that the issue should be resolved via formal communications among the interested organizations.

6. The next meeting of the TOG will be held at NSA on Thursday, 28 August at 0930.

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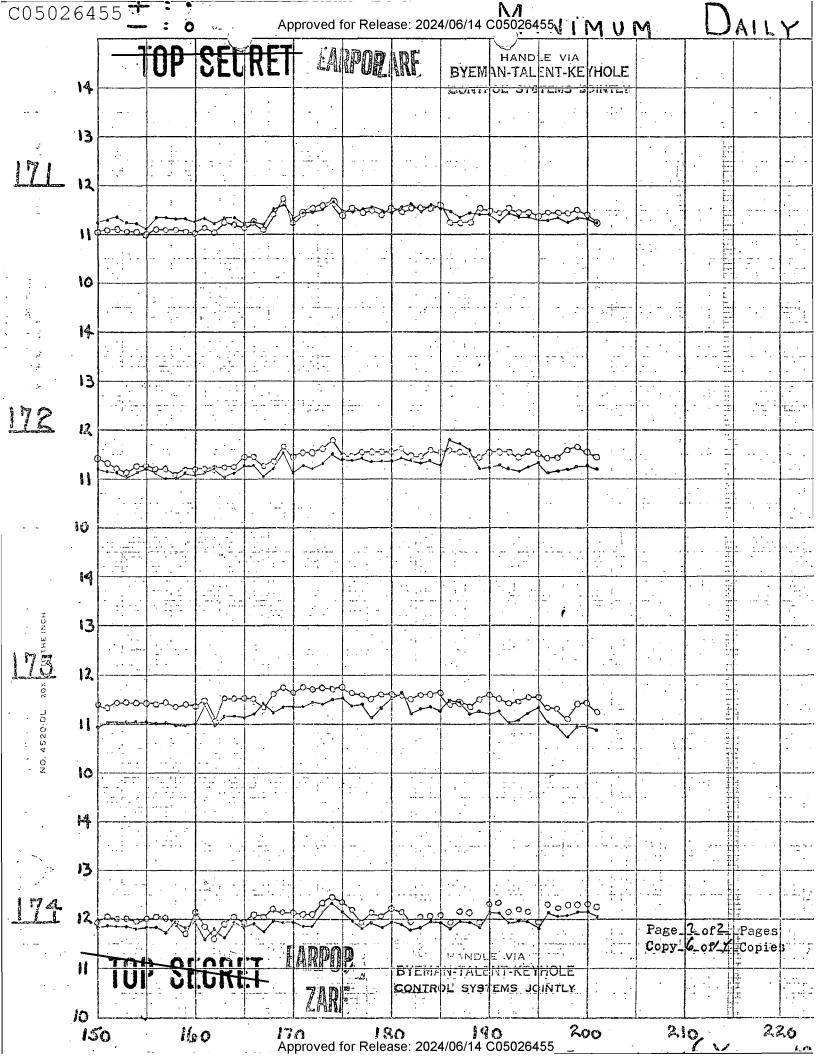
The POPPY satellites have progressed through a twenty-one day period of one hundred percent sunlight and are now entering a short eclipse period. Today's reading is sixty eight percent. System health has remained stable throughout the last month. Spacecraft voltages continue to remain satisfactory.

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COLLECTION HIGHLIGHTS

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A total of 3932 items were reported. Of these, 744 reflected major combatant activity, and 57.5% were equated to specific hulls. There were 2203 merchant and 50 intercepts reported. Four intercepts reflected out-of-area activity three in Kuril Islands, one in the Mediterranean. There was no activity reflected.
The relief of the Med Force was completed the week of 24-30 June when the KILDIN BEDOVYY, KOTLIN BRAVYY, and KASHIN SKORYY and SDERZHANNY returned to the Black Sea. The units were relieved by the CHG LENINGRAD, KARA NIKOLAN and KASHIN KRASNYY KRYM. Exercise activity was observed in the Sea of Japan the first of the month, and the KASHIN STEREGUICHY was observed in operations in the southern Tsushima Straits. An increase in major combatant activity was observed in the Barents during the period 16-18 July.
The KRESTA II KRONSTADT was reported to have made a Barents to Baltic transit during the period 11-15 July. The vessel was not reflected in checked all tapes during the period for single ball reflections of the vessel's but none were found. A radar EMCON transit must be suspected as it is a rarity that a vessel of this size is not reflected in
2. Technical Intelligence and EOB:
System reflected collection of SLM data from target emitters during the month.
Intercept data from mideast target emitters in support of Project Flavor was extremely light with only one intercept of SA-6 equipment from being reflected.
continues to intercept emissions from the Black Sea which exhibit the STI 1685 PPS PRF mode and the non-peak circular scan rate of 3.78-3.80 SPR. The site also continues to reflect intercepts of highly stable emissions from the Black Sea.
Intercepts of the emission from the modified KILDIN BEDOVYY on 25 and 26 June reflected an STI PRF mode of 585.936 PPS. This is the first time this PRF is known to have been intercepted from the equates to the 256th divisor of the one kilometer crystal.
An emission was intercepted by n 15 July and geolocated to a water impact just sounth of Petropavlovsk. The emission displayed a reference pulse followed by a 13 pulse group. Spacing from the reference pulse to the first channel was 13.2 milliseconds with subsequent channels spaced at approximately 229 usec. Pulse coding activity was observed within the channels.
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