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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE
DIRECTOR, NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

SUBJECT: Mission Guidance for SIGINT Mission 7340

The SIGINT OVERHEAD RECONNAISSANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (SORS) recommends the following mission guidance for Mission 7340. Recommended collection is divided into three categories: targets of opportunity/special events, routine search/mapping/sampling and aperiodic surveys.

I. The two modes for tasking Mission 7340 are the fine-tuned receiver (FTR) and general or non-FTR tasking.

A. FTR--Mission 7340 will be operated in the fine-tuned receiver mode (FSK-C) when a combination of factors indicate a reasonable probability of unique, processable intercept.

B. General (or Non-FTR)--The general payload mode will be FDM and FSK standard/adaptive (FSKA/B).

II. Collection should be accomplished in the following priority order:

A. Targets of opportunity/special events

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1. The search for, and the geolocation and sampling (as required) of [] Soviet Rocket Forces (SRF) [] uplinks and other satellite-related uplinks.

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Based on satellite conjunction data and other information, NSA will provide a listing of collection opportunities to the NRO in sufficient time to allow appropriate tasking of Mission 7340.

2. The mapping/sampling of communications emitters associated with exercises, contingencies or military deployment situations on a time critical reporting (TCR) basis.

B. The routine search for, and the geolocation and sampling of target emitters for data base maintenance.

C. The aperiodic, intensive survey of selected target emitters or areas as recommended by the SORS.

III. Collection should be accomplished against the following targets:

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IV. Time Critical Data

A. Time critical data needs may necessitate rapid redirection of Mission 7340 to provide temporary emphasis on particular target areas and/or signals. The NRO and NSA will make adjustments in collection and processing priorities to acquire, process and report time critical data based on direct requests from any SORS Members in accordance with the following criteria:

1. The purpose of the request must be consistent with this mission guidance.

2. The target emitters for desired coverage must be selected from those contained in this mission guidance.

3. Collection shall be requested for no more than 14 days.

4. The initiator of the special request must give rationale and specify desired processing and reporting procedures.

B. The NRO will notify all SORS Members by message within 24 hours of the implementation of the time critical mission guidance and will provide the following information:

1. The requestor and the rationale for the request for time critical mission guidance.

2. The target areas and emitters for which coverage is desired.

3. Requested processing/reporting procedures.

4. Impact on existing operations.

C. The SORS will subsequently review this matter and will provide appropriate mission guidance.

V. Processing and Reporting

A. The location of all emitters should be reported within 24 hours after intercept intercept. Additional specific

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details to be reported from [] intercept data will be provided by the SORS as supplementary processing guidance.

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B. Routine processing and reporting of collected data should be accomplished to maintain data base requirements.

C. In times of crisis, hostilities or other time critical situations, processing and reporting will be required within 6 hours for specified areas and emitters.

D. The SORS requests that it be kept fully informed by the NRO of the operational status and intercept success, including FTR tasking, of Mission 7340 on a fortnightly basis.

E. The SORS requests that NSA product reporting of data from these missions be readily identifiable as having originated from Mission 7340 intercept data.

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