MEMORANDUM FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT: Progress of the DIA Electro-Optical Imagery Study Group

REFERENCE: Memorandum for Information dated 14 September 1970

1. The referenced memorandum summarizes the efforts of the DIA Electro-Optical Imagery Study Group through early September. On 14 September the Group briefed the Director, DIA; that briefing consisting of those findings and conclusions outlined in the referenced memorandum. His response was the following:

   A. He requested that the briefing be documented, which would permit him to forward it to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for their comments.

   B. He asked that the two options for creating an entirely new command and control system be expanded to include the advantages and disadvantages for each of the two options.

   C. He expressed the belief that the option which consists of a new command and control system that is exclusively dedicated to EOI and managed by the Department of Defense with NPIC continuing to exploit the film recovery systems has the most merit. The final report will reflect this position.

2. As one of the bases for recommending that the EOI system be managed within the DOD structure, the Group listed ten applications for electro-optical imagery which are as follows:

   A. Tactical Crises
   B. National Crises
   C. Warnings and Indications
   D. Target Surveillance
   E. Current Intelligence
   F. Tactical Contingency Planning
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G. Post Attack Assessment
H. Intelligence Data Base Maintenance
I. Ocean Surveillance
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In evaluating these criteria they have concluded that the DOD has a need for a higher number of these applications than does CIA. Accordingly, they are recommending that the EOI System be managed within the DOD.

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