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**MEMORANDUM FOR ASD(I)
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SUBJECT: National Reconnaissance Program

The reorganization of intelligence functions directed by the President's letter of November 5, 1971 specifically directed retention of the present management structure of the National Reconnaissance Office. To assure this the NRO will continue to control all aspects of the programming, budgeting, design, development, operation and tasking of photographic and SIGINT reconnaissance satellites and for assigned aircraft and drone collection systems.

The DNRO will continue to be solely responsible to the Secretary of Defense, through the Executive Committee chaired by the Deputy Secretary of Defense. I look to the ASD(I) to provide necessary support to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense in accordance with the decisions of the Executive Committee. The NRP will not be subject to direction other than that from the Executive Committee or the Secretary of Defense.

**cc: Mr. Helms
Dr. David
Gen Bennett**

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