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MEMORANDUM FOR BRIG GENERAL GREENLEAF, AF/PRP

SUBJECT: Project COLD MISS

There is a continuing need for aircraft weather observation support (COLD MISS) to Hawaii recovery operations. Such observations are essential to the weather support requirement which is, in essence, perfect weather forecasts in the recovery area in a timely manner. For various reasons meteorological satellites cannot completely perform this function, and historically weather reconnaissance aircraft have been employed.

As you are aware, recovery operations carry a 1-1 precedence. I understand that recent guidance to MAC has downgraded the weather aircraft support to satellite recovery operations which may from time to time preclude such support after July 1, 1974. While the type of aircraft assigned to the mission is not critical, the weather support itself is essential and I request that action be taken to restore COLD MISS support to the 1-1 precedence it has had. I have, meanwhile, initiated a task to determine if there can be any relaxation in the needed support, and will inform you of my findings.


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