

31 July 1962

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]  
Office of the Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Reply to Captain Zumwalt, Assistant to Mr. Nitze,  
OSD, re CIA Capabilities to Detect Test Ban Violations

1. After talking to Howard Osborn and [redacted] I called  
Captain Zumwalt early this afternoon. He had asked two questions, on  
Mr. Nitze's behalf:

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a. Our present covert agent capabilities to detect violations  
by the USSR of a comprehensive nuclear test ban, particularly sub-  
threshold tests conducted in a series (30 or 40) over a period of  
time.

b. The likelihood of improvement of these present capabilities  
over the next three years.

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3. Captain Zumwalt said Secretary McNamara is being briefed today  
on the various unilateral collection capabilities which can be used to  
monitor nuclear tests, preparatory to another meeting of principals  
today at 5 o'clock.



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Chief, FI/ [redacted]

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