

15 March 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: National Intelligence Survey (NIS) Coverage Plan

REFERENCES: (a) USIB-M-369, 4 February 1965
(b) USIB-D-51.1/8, 28 August 1963

1. In accordance with reference (a), the NIS Committee submits to the United States Intelligence Board (USIB) the attached NIS Coverage Plan reflecting the Committee's recommended long-range production program.

2. Concept

The plan, which is intended to replace the more limited 2-year production forecast formerly submitted each year by the NIS Committee, 1) establishes NIS area priorities for General Survey maintenance, 2) specifies for each NIS area the supplementary topical coverage required over and above that provided by the General Survey, taking into account agency capabilities and available resources, and 3) thereby provides USIB with a broader base of pertinent data with which to carry out its responsibilities as prescribed in reference (b).

3. General Survey

Under the plan the General Survey continues as the primary unit of NIS coverage. General Surveys on some 33 areas of high strategic importance are to be maintained at intervals of about 3 years or less. Some 75 others will be revised on an average of every 4 years. No periodic revision is planned for the remaining areas; maintenance (or in some cases initial production) of these would be undertaken only as warranted by a marked change in an area situation or in its significance to U. S. national security interests.

GROUP 1
Excluded from automatic
downgrading and
declassification

4. Supplementary coverage

Planned supplementary coverage is highly selective and is based on the importance of the specific topic to the area, identifiable user requirements, and availability of alternative coverage. Out of a possible 25 supporting elements for any NIS area, the average planned coverage is only 7. Maintenance cycles will vary among topics and among areas to which specific topics pertain, in accordance with stability of the subject matter and producer capabilities.

5. Production rate

The annual production rate for the General Survey remains at the same level as in previous years. Rates for supplementary elements reflect some reductions; however, the plan shows a re-allocation of more limited production capabilities for concentration on topics of greatest importance to the area and most responsive to user requirements.

6. Application

The NIS Committee requests USIB approval of the plan as a long-range production programming guide. The plan will be implemented flexibly and reviewed annually. Adjustments will be based on changing user requirements, priorities, and production capabilities. It is the Committee's intention routinely to discuss in its Annual Report to USIB any significant changes to the plan. In addition, an annual production schedule will be submitted before the beginning of each fiscal year.

25X1A9a






Attachment:
NIS Coverage Plan

NIS COVERAGE PLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

15 March 1968

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

-  Priority Maintenance
-  Standard Maintenance
-  Supplementary Coverage Planned



AFRICA

- Algeria
- Angola
- Burundi/Rwanda
- Cameroon
- Congo (Brazzaville)
- Congo (Kinshasa)
- Dahomey
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Ivory Coast
- Kenya
- Libya
- Malagasy Republic
- Malawi
- Mauritania
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Nigeria
- Rhodesia
- Senegal/Gambia
- Somalia / FTAI
- South Africa/SW Africa
- Sudan
- Tanzania
- Tunisia
- U.A.R.
- Uganda
- Zambia

	*GENERAL SURVEY	Coasts and Landing Beaches	Weather and Climate	Topography	Urban Areas	Railroads	Highways	Inland Waterways	Ports and Naval Facilities	Merchant Marine	Civil Air	Telecommunications	Population	Characteristics of the People Religion, Education, & Public Information	Manpower	Health and Sanitation	Intelligence and Security	Subversion and Insurgency	Agriculture	Fuels	Power	Minerals and Metals	Manufacturing and Construction	Trade and Finance	Armed Forces	Marine Climate and Oceanography
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																										
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																										
Worldwide coverage of ocean basins.																										

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

NIS COVERAGE PLAN

-  Priority Maintenance
-  Standard Maintenance
-  Supplementary Coverage Planned

LATIN AMERICA

- Argentina
- Bolivia
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- El Salvador
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Mexico
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Uruguay
- Venezuela

EASTERN EUROPE

- Albania
- Bulgaria
- Czechoslovakia
- East Germany
- Hungary
- Poland
- Rumania

	*GENERAL SURVEY	Coasts and Landing Beaches	Weather and Climate	Topography	Urban Areas	Railroads	Highways	Inland Waterways	Ports and Naval Facilities	Merchant Marine	Civil Air	Telecommunications	Population	Characteristics of the People Religion, Education, & Public Information	Manpower	Health and Sanitation	Intelligence and Security	Subversion and Insurgency	Agriculture	Fuels	Power	Minerals and Metals	Manufacturing and Construction	Trade and Finance	Armed Forces	Marine Climate and Oceanography
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																										
Worldwide coverage of ocean basins.																										

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

15 March 1968

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2




~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NIS COVERAGE PLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

15 March 1968

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

-  Priority Maintenance
-  Standard Maintenance
-  Supplementary Coverage Planned

EASTERN EUROPE (cont'd)

U.S.S.R.	
European U.S.S.R./Caucasus	
Soviet Central Asia	
Western Siberia	
Central Siberia	
Eastern Siberia	
Pacific Coast	
Arctic Coast	
Baltic Sea	
Black and Caspian Seas	
Yugoslavia	




WESTERN EUROPE

Austria	
Belgium	
Cyprus	
Denmark	
Finland	
France	
Greece	
Iceland	
Italy	
Netherlands	
Norway	
Portugal	
Spain	
Sweden	
West Germany	

	*GENERAL SURVEY	Coasts and Landing Beaches	Weather and Climate	Topography	Urban Areas	Railroads	Highways	Inland Waterways	Ports and Naval Facilities	Merchant Marine	Civil Air	Telecommunications	Population	Characteristics of the People	Religion, Education, & Public Information	Manpower	Health and Sanitation	Intelligence and Security	Subversion and Insurgency	Agriculture	Fuels	Power	Minerals and Metals	Manufacturing and Construction	Trade and Finance	Armed Forces	Marine Climate and Oceanography
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																											
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																											
Worldwide coverage of ocean basins.																											

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

NIS COVERAGE PLAN

-  Priority Maintenance
-  Standard Maintenance
-  Supplementary Coverage Planned

FAR EAST

- Burma
- Cambodia
- Communist China
- Sinkiang
- Northeast China
- North China
- South China
- Tibetan Highlands
- Hong Kong/Macao
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Laos
- Malaysia/Brunei
- Mongolia
- Nationalist China
- North Korea
- North Vietnam
- Philippines
- Singapore
- South Korea
- South Vietnam
- Thailand

MIDDLE EAST

- Afghanistan
- Arabian Peninsula
- Kuwait with (Persian Gulf States)
- Southern Yemen with
- Muscat and Oman
- Saudi Arabia
- Yemen

	*GENERAL SURVEY	Coasts and Landing Beaches	Weather and Climate	Topography	Urban Areas	Railroads	Highways	Inland Waterways	Ports and Naval Facilities	Merchant Marine	Civil Air	Telecommunications	Population	Characteristics of the People Religion, Education & Public Information	Manpower	Health and Sanitation	Intelligence and Security	Subversion and Insurgency	Agriculture	Fuels	Power	Minerals and Metals	Manufacturing and Construction	Trade and Finance	Armed Forces	Marine Climate and Oceanography
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																										
Worldwide coverage; areas combined where appropriate																										
Worldwide coverage of ocean basins.																										

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

15 March 1968

Approved For Release 2000/08/29 : CIA-RDP78-05597A000100020002-2

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CONFIDENTIAL

NIS COVERAGE PLAN

-  Priority Maintenance
-  Standard Maintenance
-  Supplementary Coverage Planned

MIDDLE EAST (cont'd)

Ceylon
India
Iran
Iraq
Israel
Jordan
Lebanon
Nepal
Pakistan
Syria
Turkey

	*GENERAL SURVEY	Coasts and Landing Beaches	Weather and Climate	Topography	Urban Areas	Railroads	Highways	Inland Waterways	Ports and Naval Facilities	Merchant Marine	Civil Air	Telecommunications	Population	Characteristics of the People	Religion, Education & Public Information	Manpower	Health and Sanitation	Intelligence and Security	Subversion and Insurgency	Agriculture	Fuels	Power	Minerals and Metals	Manufacturing and Construction	Trade and Finance	Armed Forces	Marine Climate and Oceanography	
Worldwide coverage, areas combined where appropriate																												
Worldwide coverage, areas combined where appropriate																												
Worldwide coverage of ocean basins.																												
Total Areas/Volumes	108	56	53	64	44	18	21	13	27	21	9	44	69	89	45	32	111	49	65	42	28	36	26	31	25	2	29	
Annual Production Rate	30	6	5	6	6-7	2-3	3-4	1-2	4-5	4	2-3	12	7	10	9	6	20	9	12	7	6	8-9	5	7	5	1	2	

Areas of lower NIS priority on which General Survey periodic maintenance is not planned

Australia	Chad	Indian Ocean Islands	Mali	Portuguese Guinea	South West Pacific Islands	United Kingdom
Bermuda/Bahamas	Equatorial Guinea	Ireland	Malta	Sierra Leone	Surinam	U.S. Islands in the Caribbean
Botswana/Lesotho/Swaziland	French Guiana	Jamaica	Netherlands Antilles	Spanish Sahara	Switzerland	Upper Volta
British Honduras	French West Indies	Liberia	New Zealand	South Atlantic Islands	Togo	West Indies
Canada	Gibraltar	Luxembourg	Niger	South Pacific Islands	Trinidad-Tobago/Barbados	West Pacific Islands
Central African Republic	Greenland					

* Interim updating of the type of basic data appearing in the Area Brief of each General Survey is provided in the semi-annually produced NIS Basic Intelligence Factbook.