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26 OCT 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, DIAXX-4

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ATTENTION   :   [   ]

SUBJECT   :   Data Collection Exercise at Ft. Knox, Kentucky

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    1. The National Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC) is presently
under contract with [   ] in an effort to estab-
lish what Essential Elements of Information can be obtained from [   ]   25X1
Reconnaissance Imagery. This effort is part of a larger Intelligence
Community effort; the primary participants being the United States Air
Force (Rome Air Development Center) and the Central Intelligence Agency.
The effort consists of conducting aerial overflights of specific faci-
lities of National interest during a five-day period while ground truth
teams are concurrently measuring certain parameters of the component
parts which compose the facility.

    2. Fort Knox, Kentucky, has been selected as a facility of National
interest; therefore, it is requested that permission be obtained from the
Commanding General, Ft. Knox, to make the necessary overflights and ground
measurements required for fulfillment of the program objectives. Because
of the special nature of this target, it is highly desirable that Mr.

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[   ] describe the contem-
plated operation and associated logistical problems with the appropriate
Fort Knox personnel during the week of 16 November 1970. If approval
is authorized, the Data Collection Program would be conducted from
30 November thru 4 December 1970.

    3. A list of all personnel involved and their respective security
clearances will be forwarded at a later date to the Fort Knox Security
Officer. It is anticipated that approximately eight (8) individuals
will be involved in this effort.

    4. The exact facilities and equipment that will require ground
measurement will be determined during the initial meeting between Mr.
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[   ] and the Fort Knox personnel. The teams will
be making radiometric measurements and taking ground photographs of the
facilities and equipments overflown. The points of contact within NPIC
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will be [   ] In
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their absence, [   ] will serve as the contact point.

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Correspondence should be addressed to Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C. 20505--with the letter itself directed to [   ] attention.

    5. A reply to this request would be appreciated as soon as practical indicating when this operation can be undertaken.

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