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SUBJECT: Value of Stereo Coverage Versus Non-stereo or a Single Camera System

## A. Non-Stereo:

1. Significant for rapid readout and signature identification dependent on quality of photography.
2. Advantage of producing more (double) coverage per pay-load.

## B. Stereo:

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2. Provides a better readout of detail due to increase in resolution.
  3. Provides a better perspective of configuration.
  4. Increase in usability due to double coverage. Precludes a percentage loss in photo-interpretation due to haze, clouds, and poor quality of non-stereo coverage.
  5. Insures a more positive identification due to height, depth, and shadow factors.
  6. Provides a better perspective of drainage, terrain, and vegetation in relation to logical location of features.
  7. Provides a variety of angles of observation.

The above listed advantages of stereo coverage out-weigh the single major advantage of the increased coverage of a single camera system.

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