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EVALUATION OF "USSR ARMED FORCES FLIGHT INSTRUCTION MANUAL  
(NPP-48)"

The contents of this manual do not warrant the complete translation requested, particularly in view of other needs for Russian linguists. This will probably be apparent from the summary of the contents attached.

It is very general and elementary. There are few specific details as to organization and procedures; most of the regulations are rather obvious ones; and there is no information on combat tactics.

The few references to combat situations consist only of statements that certain safety precautions for take-offs, landing, night flying, etc., may be modified in such situations. The manual is designed for general regulation of the peace-time routine and training flights of USSR military aviation.

One copy of a translation of Appendix 10, Conventional Signs for Making up Flight Plans, is enclosed as of possible interest.

While it is believed that the comments "nothing noteworthy", "general and elementary", etc., inserted in the summary in places, will apply to the whole manual, if there are noted portions which still seem worthy of translation, they should be reviewed in detail with a linguist (which this Branch will supply if necessary) before such translation is decided upon.

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