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SUBJECT Airborne Reconnaissance Incident History (1949-1960) (U)

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ACTION SUMMARY

1. (S) Purpose. To provide a summary of the approximate 30 airborne reconnaissance missions which were flown during the period 1949-1960 that resulted in international incidents and/or the loss of manned aircraft platforms.

2. (U) Background.

a. (U) Prior to late 1960, airborne reconnaissance was managed primarily by the individual services who kept the Joint Chiefs of Staff informed of their individual activities.

b. (S) During the period 1949-1960, there were 32 airborne reconnaissance missions flown which resulted in international incidents and the loss of 13 manned aircraft platforms.

c. (U) Provided at Enclosure* is a summary of those specific airborne reconnaissance missions. The area of occurence of each particular mission is approximate.

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Reference:

*Airborne Reconnaissance Mission Summary (1949-1960)

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