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SUBJ: JCS REQUIREMENT FOR ASSESSMENT OF PUEBLO LOSS

REF: DIADR 007¹³0 JAN 68

SIGINT IMPACT STATEMENT.

1. ON BASIS OF BEST AVAILABLE INFO THE OVERALL LOSS AND THE LONG TERM EFFECTS ON TO/THE U.S. SIGINT EFFORT IS ASSESSED TO BE VERY SEVERE.

2. SOME 33 PERSONNEL OF THE NAVAL SECURITY GROUP DETACHMENT WERE CLEARED AND INDOCTRINATED FOR COMINT. SEVERAL OF THE NSG DET PERS WERE ALSO KNOWLEDGEABLE IN VARIOUS COMPARTMENTED PROBLEM AREAS. ALSO CO, XO, OPS AND COMM OFFICERS WERE COMINT INDOCTRINATED. IN GENERAL IT CAN BE STATED THAT NSG PERSONNEL IN THE PUEBLO WERE FULLY QUALIFIED SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE TECHNICIANS AND THAT THEIR PAST ASSIGNMENTS HAVE COVERED A WIDE RANGE OF GEOGRAPHIC AREAS AND TARGETS IN THE FIELD

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OF SIGINT. COLLECTIVELY THESE MEN WOULD BE ABLE TO DESCRIBE THE WORLDWIDE MISSION OF THE SIGINT COLLECTION AND PRODUCTION EFFORT INCLUDING MOST OF THE OVERT COLLECTION SITES AND THEIR SUBORDINATION, AS WELL AS MANY KEY PERSONNEL IN THE NSA AND SERVICE CRYPTOLOGIC AGENCIES EFFORTS WORLDWIDE. COLLECTIVELY THEY COULD BE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETELY KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE STATE OF THE ART IN THE FIELDS OF SIGINT COLLECTION, PROCESSING, REPORTING TECHNIQUES AND SUCCESSES INCLUDING THE SOVIET UNION, COMMUNIST CHINA, AND NORTH KOREA.

3. SIMILARLY THE ENTIRE U.S. SIGINT COLLECTION PROCESSING AND REPORTING PROCEDURES WOULD BE COMPROMISED THROUGH THE DEPTH OF THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT MATERIAL CARRIED. THESE DOCUMENTS EXPOSE OUR SIGINT OBJECTIVES, OUR TECHNIQUES IN ATTACKING THOSE OBJECTIVES, THE RESULTS (AT LEAST IN PART) OF OUR YEARS OF EFFORT, PROVIDES A BROAD INSIGHT INTO THE ENTIRE OPERATING STRUCTURE OF THE U.S. AND SOME ALLIED SIGINT ESTABLISHMENTS, AND THE INTELLIGENCE INTERESTS OF THE U.S.

4. THE SIGINT EQUIPMENT CONFIGURATION OF THE PUEBLO

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MADE IT CAPABLE OF FULFILLING AN ELINT AND COMINT
MISSION INCLUDING THE NAVY'S AN/WLR-1A EW EQUIPMENT.
ITS SIGINT GEAR WOULD INDICATE ITS ABILITY TO INTERCEPT
MANUAL MORSE, RADIOPRINTER, RADIO TELEPHONE, [REDACTED]

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5. IN SUMMARY, WITH THE TOTAL DATA PRESENTED BY
THE CAPTURE OF THE PUEBLO, THE NORTH KOREANS, ALONE
OR IN CONCERT WITH OTHER COMMUNIST NATIONS, COULD
REVEAL THE EXTENT OF THE U.S. WORLDWIDE SIGINT AND
VARIOUS OTHER INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS.

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