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MEMORANDUM FOR : ██████████ O/DDS&T  
SUBJECT : Information on IDEALIST Program for  
Briefing Dr. Kissinger

1. Attached is a short extract of information which I believe is pertinent to the question you asked relative to the value of the IDEALIST collection effort. It is very difficult for us to assess this except in indirect terms and I have therefore tried to point out the capability of the vehicle and the uniqueness of the information it can collect. The assessment of the evaluation must be an indirect one, such as the continued levying of requirements for collection on the project and the approval of its continuation by the President.

2. The second attachment is a breakout of the personnel directly associated with Project IDEALIST who are located at our one overseas field station.

3. The third attachment is a copy of the justification we prepared for the 303 Committee at the time that it was anticipated that the Director would ask the 303 Committee for recommendation to the President. This was in the latter part of December 1969.

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DONALD H. ROSS  
Brigadier General, USAF  
Director of Special Activities

Attachments - 3  
As stated above

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