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MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller, OSA

SUBJECT: IDEALIST Operational Summary  
and Status (November 1966)

REFERENCE: Memorandum from D/SA to D/O/OSA  
and D/R&D; dated 26 May 1965;  
Subject: OSA Monthly Report to  
DD/S&T and Program B Quarterly  
Review Report to D/NRO [Redacted]

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Attached is the IDEALIST Operational Summary and  
Status report for the month of November 1966.

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OPERATIONAL SUMMARY AND STATUS

I. General Summary

A. One Agency U-2 overflight (Mission C216C) was made on 26 November 1966. In addition C196C was alerted for 3 November and C206C for 23 November. C196C was cancelled due to [Redacted] C206C was cancelled due to a combination of two factors. [Redacted] felt a postponement to a later date was desired. Ultimately cancellation was dictated due to weather.

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B. [Redacted] reverted to CAT III status on 25 November. No new ETOR predicted for him since present plans call for him to receive additional ground and flight training in the U-2.

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C. [Redacted] have completed T-33 training and are 80% U-3 trained. U-2 flight training is scheduled to begin in early December.

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D. Three flight tests for [Redacted] were flown during the month. Fuel data was obtained on the first flight. It compared very favorably to the October results. Ballistic data was collected on the first and third sorties and it is anticipated that quite valid drop information can now be computed. The second sortie air aborted due to ground radar inoperative.

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E. Two flight tests were flown during the month for check out of the modified "H" Configuration in preparation for shipment of this unit to [Redacted]

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F. One flight test was flown for the purpose of obtaining fuel data with a 1720 gallon load. This test was successful. Drop tanks were released and excellent fuel consumption information obtained. Two other sorties were flown to obtain fuel data during the month.

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II. Product Improvement

A. Four APN-153/ASN-66 Doppler Navigation Systems have been contracted for, for use on operational missions. First deliveries are anticipated to be in January.

B. No tests were flown on the Air Data Computer/Tape Altimeter due to higher priority requirements. Tests should be completed during the month of December.

C. Test flights were successfully completed on the "H" Camera and the system was deployed.

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