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FM CIA WASHDC

TO RUCSBR/SAC OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA, NEB

RUCVAB/4080 STRAT WG, OL 19, BARKSDALE AFB, LA

RUEAHQ/DIAXX

RUECYG/NAVY PIC

RUWBKG/15TH AF, MARCH AFB, RIVERSIDE, CALIF

RUWGAA/2D RTS, BARKSDALE AFB, LA

RUWGAA/2AF, BARKSDALE AFB, LA

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15TH AF (FOR DI); SAC (FOR DIM, BRASS KNOB, DOCR, DM 4), 2D AF (FOR DI). FROM NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER.

1. CAMERA B-11 WAS USED IN MISSION 3722 FLOWN ON 15 SEPTEMBER 1963; PROCESSING WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY NAVY PIC.

2. ORIGINAL NEGATIVE:

A. THE EXPOSURE WAS ADEQUATE AND THE RESOLUTION IS GOOD.

B. 9R SIDE: BEGINNING WITH A HEAT SPLICE ON FRAME 1451, AND RUNNING CONTINUOUSLY THROUGHOUT THE REST OF THE MISSION, THERE ARE MANY FINE, LONGITUDINAL PLUS DENSITY PROCESSING STREAKS. ON FRAME 1873 THERE IS ONE PLUS DENSITY DOT SIMILAR TO THOSE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 1C, BUT 2.7" FROM THE INBOARD EDGE. KNIFE EDGE FOG OCCURS INTERMITTENTLY THROUGHOUT.

C. 9L SIDE: A SERIES OF PLUS DENSITY SPOTS, BELIEVED TO BE

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CAUSED BY STATIC ELECTRICITY, RUNS INTERMITTENTLY THROUGH THIS SIDE. IT IS ALWAYS LOCATED 3.7" FROM THE INBOARD EDGE AND THE SPACING BETWEEN DOTS VARIES FROM SEVERAL FEET TO PARTS OF AN INCH. BEGINNING WITH A HEAT SPLICE ON FRAME 1597, THERE ARE MANY FINE, LONGITUDINAL PLUS DENSITY PROCESSING STREAKS, WHICH RUN THROUGHOUT THE REMAINDER OF THE MISSION.

D. BOTH SIDES: A TOTAL OF 51 FRAMES ARE COMPLETELY BLANK BECAUSE OF AN INTERMITTENT CAMERA MALFUNCTION. THE LATTER HALF OF THE MISSION, ON BOTH SIDES, IS ADVERSELY EFFECTED BY THE PROCESSING STREAKS MENTIONED ABOVE. THERE IS A TOTAL OF 2334 TITLED FRAMES.

E. THE SHUTTER FAILED TO OPEN ON FRAME 821, THEN MALFUNCTIONED 51 TIMES DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE MISSION. NO PATTERN COULD BE ESTABLISHED; THAT IS, THE FAILURE TO OPERATE CORRECTLY WAS NOT RESTRICTED TO ANY ONE CAMERA POSITION, DISTANCE BETWEEN MALFUNCTIONS, OR SPECIFIC PART OF THE MISSION.

2. POSITIVE:

A. THE PI SUITABILITY IS GOOD, WHERE NOT INHIBITED BY CAMERA PROBLEMS.

B. THE CLOUD COVER WAS 15 PER CENT.

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(ABOVE MESSAGE ALSO PASSED TO CIA WATCH (CGS))