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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, NPIC  
Director, ORR

SUBJECT : Estimating Crop Yield from Satellite  
Photography

1. The United States Intelligence Board has approved the following recommendation of the ad hoc group to review high resolution photographic coverage and exploitation of photography on China, chaired by [REDACTED]

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"CIA proceed apace in seeking to develop techniques which will enable estimates of crop yield to be made from satellite photography."  
(USIB-D-41.14/280, paragraph 22. b.)

It is hoped that this USIB approval will give further impetus to the work already underway. USIB also approved a recommendation that COMOR, with the assistance of representatives of interested agencies, review the status and adequacy of the data base on China in six months time. It is likely that this review will include the progress made in implementing the recommendation quoted above.

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