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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Plans & Development Staff, NPIC

SUBJECT : Exploitation of Photographic Intelligence From Videotapes

1. On several occasions during 1965, briefing boards and reports were prepared at NPIC, using photography derived from videotapes of Soviet Television Broadcasts. It is expected that this kind of photography will continue to be of value in the future in the exploitation of KH material.

2. In June, 1965, the Director, NPIC expressed to the Assistant for Plans & Development and to the Technical Advisor to the Director the need for a capability at NPIC to view videotapes.

3. It is understood that any equipment to directly exploit videotapes at NPIC would have the following two elements:

- A. A videotape play-back machine.
- B. An accessory to the above which stores a portion of a videotape, stops its motion, displays a picture on a high-resolution screen, photographs the picture on film.

4. CSD strongly endorses the allocation of funds to develop the equipment described in paragraph 3B above. However, this endorsement does not include the equipment described in paragraph 3A above, and discussed in paragraph 2. CSD feels that the development and/or procurement of this equipment is beyond its purview since this equipment will have many uses besides the exploitation of Photographic Intelligence. We feel that responsibility for this type of equipment rests with the Director's office and the Chief of the Support Staff.

[Redacted]
Chief, Collateral Support Division,
NPIC

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Visited NAVSEC (Navy Ship Electronics ^{Center} ~~Center~~) 25X1

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At a presentation by [Redacted] concerning CCTV the company representative ^{implied} ~~stated~~ that OPCON Center at Norfolk (CINCLANT) had an operating CCTV system. This system is supposedly designed for secure operations. 25X1

Upon investigation it was found that this system ~~is~~ is not connected to any S&R or ship display equipment (job plot boards and chart display only) and that ~~the~~ the installation will not be complete until midsummer. The system is only a CCTV system and consists of approx. 6 TV cameras and approx. 8 monitors, employs TURN-X cable between units, is an 875 scan line system and is supposed to comply with Mil Std 222 and DCA "Red-Black" criteria (check with [Redacted]). 25X1

It was determined that confusion concerning an S&R system might ~~have~~ ^{have} been caused by the expected ^{in the near future} completion of the ~~system~~ system. 25X1

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This S&R system is based

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(4) Secretary (For Filing)		

REMARKS:

upon a CDC 1604 and is expected to be installed at NAVCOSACT, Utah DC. This system is called "OPENCENTOR DISPLAY SYSTEM" and is mfg by [redacted] (Send for [redacted])

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[redacted] volunteered that the Manned Space Center, Houston, Tex had an ITR system installed as effort of a combined project with [redacted]

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[redacted] (Ch. with me [redacted]) He also mentioned the Sea Surveillance Center at Norfolk. This a CRT display and not TV presentation.

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ESTIMATED PRICE OF "MAGNETIC TAPE TO PHOTO TRANSDUCER" SYSTEM

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COMMERCIAL [REDACTED] RECORDER/PLAYBACK EQUIPMENT.....
MAGNETIC DISK RECORDER (MECHTRINICS-MVR).....
BLACK BOXING & FLATFACED CRT READ OUT.....
ONE YEAR OPERATOR/MAINTENANCE SUPPORT BY CONTRACTOR.....

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ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF SYSTEM AND OPERATION.....

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SUGGESTED CONTRACTORS TO HANDLE SYSTEM ASSEMBLY..

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