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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence  
ATTENTION: Mr. Walter Elder  
SUBJECT: Supplementary Comments on KH Mission 9048

1. The following comments represent the DD/I assessment of information available from the second (final) daily report on KH Mission 9048.

MISSILES

2. The detection of the probable second launch area at Drovyanaya -- near Chita -- was expected and has not caused any revision of our beliefs regarding the character or pace of construction at this complex. Acceptance of this new area will bring to 132 the number of confirmed ICBM launchers currently completed or under construction in the USSR.

The construction at the Novosibirsk ICBM launch complex may indicate that work on a fourth launch area will soon be started.

SUBMARINES

*OCI is doing a memo on this. Preliminary view is that Sovs have completed submarine pens + that the boats are all under cover.*

3. Good coverage of the Petropavlovsk harbor area on [Redacted] failed to reveal the presence of any of the 20 or more submarines believed [Redacted] to be there. We have no explanation for the apparent total absence of submarines from Petropavlovsk at this time, although three submarines based there were known to be on extended operations on that date. A more detailed analysis of photography of the area is being made.

*We know from [Redacted] that Sovs were building pens here!*

OTHER

4. No significant new information on other Soviet targets or military installations in Cuba, China or North Vietnam was obtained by this mission.

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