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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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VIA:

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Acting Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM:

Carl W. Ford, Jr.

National Intelligence Officer for East Asia

SUBJECT:

North Korea: Prospects for the Succession NIE 14.2-87:

and Stability

Attached for your review are the proposed Concept Paper and Terms of Reference (TOR) for NIE 14.2-87: North Korea: Prospects for the Succession and Stability. The Estimate will be drafted by DI/OEA.

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- 2. This will be the first Estimate that looks at the issue of succession in North Korea. Earlier Estimates on the North addressed North Korean foreign policy objectives; the North's proposals for reunification of the Peninsula; and possible North Korean reactions to potential instability in the South during the late 1970s. This Estimate is the third in a series on the Korean peninsula initiated by the NIO/East Asia. It will examine the prospects of the forthcoming succession in P'yongyang, establish some scenarios for political change, and assess the implications of the scenarios for political stability.
- The Senior Review Panel did not have any substantive disagreements with the Concept Paper and Terms of Reference. At the suggestion of the SRP, however, we have dropped the word "Internal" from the title of the Estimate.

4. With your approval we will distribute the Concept Paper and TOR to the Community representatives for a 12 November 1987 coordination meeting.

Carl W. Ford, Jr.

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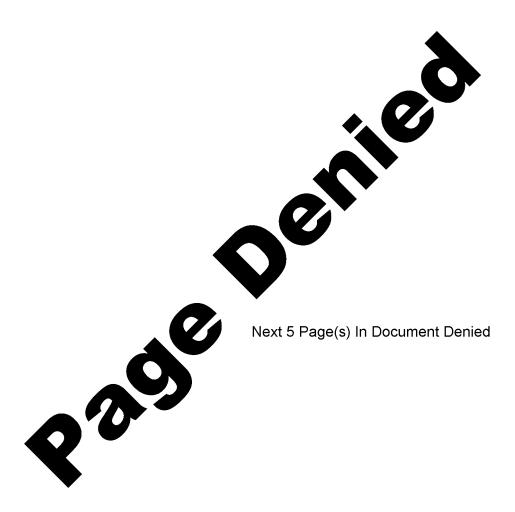
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Senior Review Panel

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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Senior Review Panel Comments on Draft Concept Paper and Terms of Reference (TOR) for NIE 14.2-87: North Korea: Prospects for the Succession and Internal Stability,

internally dated 5 October 1987

- 1. The Panel considers the drafts comprehensive, well-elaborated, and appropriately addressed to the challenges, problems, and implications of the efforts of Kim Il-song to secure succession to power by his son, Kim Chong-il.
- 2. We flag two comparatively minor points: (a) the possibility of consolidating TOR-III and TOR-IV might be worth considering in order to assist in holding the ultimate text to desirable length; (b) the word "internal" might perhaps be dropped from the title in view of the extensive foreign policy considerations adduced in TOR-I, TOR-V, and TOR-IV.
- 3. We commend this initiative--the first estimate that examines this unprecedented succession problem--and look forward to the draft paper.

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