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MEMORANDUM FOR: Stephen Roberts
 Chairman, Senior Steering Committee
 Historical Imagery Declassification Review

SUBJECT: CIA Response on KH-7 Historical Imagery
 Declassification

Steve

1. At the 9 July 1998 Historical Imagery Declassification Review (HIDR) Senior Steering Committee meeting, you asked CIA to come up with a final position on the issue of blanket declassification of KH-7 historical imagery as part of the broader KH-7 and KH-9 Historical Imagery Declassification Review process. CIA concurs with Intelligence Community (IC) proposal to recommend to the DCI that he approve blanket declassification of KH-7 historical imagery. We note the following for the record.

- Two area divisions of the CIA Directorate of Operations maintain their objections to the proposed blanket declassification of either KH-7 or KH-9 historical imagery.
- In concurring with the Community's recommendation to declassify all of KH-7 imagery, we emphasize that such case-specific acquiescence in no way suggests future CIA concurrence, or intent to concur, with blanket declassification proposals for any other historical satellite collection system.

Member, Senior Steering Committee
 Historical Imagery Declassification Review

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