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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence), CIA

THROUGH: TALENT Control Officer, CIA/ORR

ATTENTION:  DDI/GMTF

SUBJECT: USSR Rail Line Search for ICBM Activity

REFERENCES: (a) Requirement DDI/RR/E/R-43/61  
(b) NPIC Project JN-284/61

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1. This memorandum is in response to a request for a search of all rail lines in the USSR covered by photography from  October 1961, for ICBM activity.

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2. An earlier memorandum, NPIC/IM-32/61, dated 16 October 1961, established the criteria for the searches and reported the results of a search from previous KEYHOLE photography.

3. The present search produced no evidence of previously unreported ICBM activity and negated no additional mileage of Soviet broad-gauge rail line.

4. All areas covered by Mission  which had not been negated in regard to ICBM activity on the basis of photography taken within 6 months of the present mission were searched. The major reason that additional areas could not be negated on this search was that the photography was of poor quality and positive photo identification was difficult.

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Approximately 25 percent of the photography was cloud covered. Mission  
[redacted] over the USSR. No overlays were  
prepared for this memorandum.

FOR THE DIRECTOR, NPIC

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Operations Officer

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