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MEMORANDUM FOR:

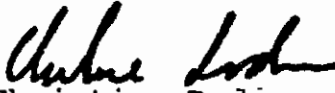
Mr. Peter Tarnoff  
Executive Secretary  
Department of State

SUBJECT: Treatment of the "Fact of" U.S.  
Photoreconnaissance Activities  
during the UNGA

Reference is made to proposed message to the UNGA, subject as above, forwarded for concurrence by John Ward.

The first sentence of paragraph 1 should be revised to read: "As mission aware, the 'fact of' the US use of photoreconnaissance satellites, including the monitoring of arms control agreements, has been declassified."

This change is recommended to more accurately reflect the Presidential decision that "declassification of the fact that the U.S. conducts satellite photoreconnaissance including acknowledgement that photoreconnaissance is one of the national technical means used by the U.S. for verification of compliance with SALT and other arms control agreements."

  
Christine Dodson  
Staff Secretary

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