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We strongly recommend that peripheral flights of this aircraft to acquire such telemetry data be continued. We also recognize the importance of obtaining data on the terminal end of an ECM flight. Such data should be acquired in addition to but not at the expense of the above telemetry data.

4. In view of the improving Soviet air defense effort, we believe that the utilization of the aircraft may soon be limited to peripheral operations. Therefore, we recommend that CIA:

- a. Conduct additional high priority overflights as soon and as often as possible.
- b. Make plans now for increased applications of this aircraft to peripheral operations.
- c. Intensify present plans to provide a replacement, including improved vehicles and reconnaissance satellites.

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