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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Reconvening of the Hyland Panel on the Status
of the Soviet ICBM Program

1. Attached is a draft memorandum which we propose you send to the U. S. Intelligence Board in order to reconvene the Hyland Panel.

2. You should be aware of two potential problem areas associated with the Panel prior to USIB consideration. First, there was a serious security leak involving our reassessment of the ICBM threat which occurred between the last Panel meeting and the issuance of NIE 11-8-61. It is suggested that you acquire the data thereon from the Office of Security; we have not seen their final report. Second, the Panel will be assessing the present status of the ICBM threat and, therefore, could easily become involved in the recent SAC and USIB controversy. It is recommended that the Hyland Panel not become directly involved in SAC versus USIB positions requiring separate detailed briefing on each, but that USIB member organizations present the evidence which could include the SAC reasoning and position.

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Attachment:
Draft Memo to USIB

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