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SUBJECT: Pilot Losses Against SA-2 System (C)

TO: Mr. Richard Helms
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Washington, D. C. 20505

1. (S) You are undoubtedly aware that our Navy and Air Force pilots have been having considerable success in avoiding losses to the SA-2 system in North Vietnam. A part of this success is attributable to the manuals and other information which were secured by your Agency and turned over to DoD for study. The countermeasures which have been developed have resulted in the very low loss rate of tactical aircraft against this air defense system.
2. (S) However, from the standpoint of overall operations, there is still an urgent operational requirement for additional data concerning the technical characteristics of the SA-2 system, particularly as regards the "S" and "C" Band Fan Song radars. Any further information on this subject which your Agency is able to secure would be of very great value at this time.

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