

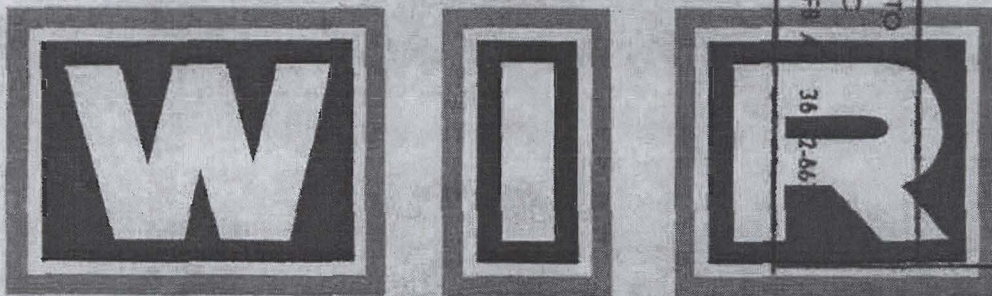
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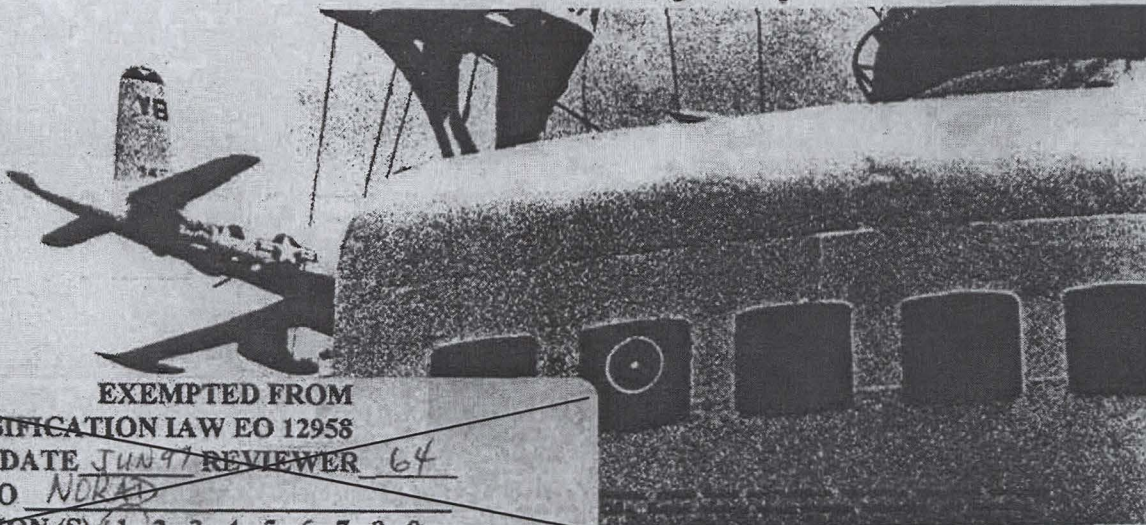
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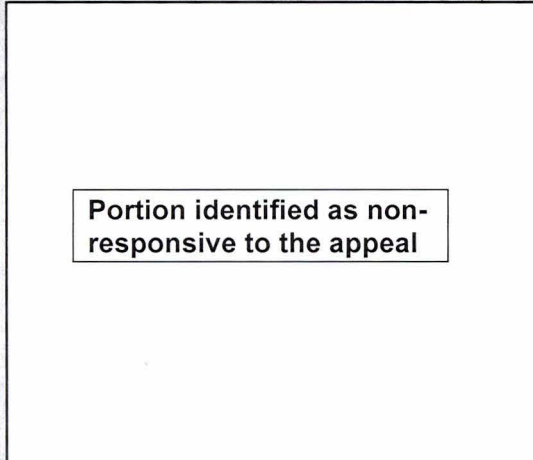
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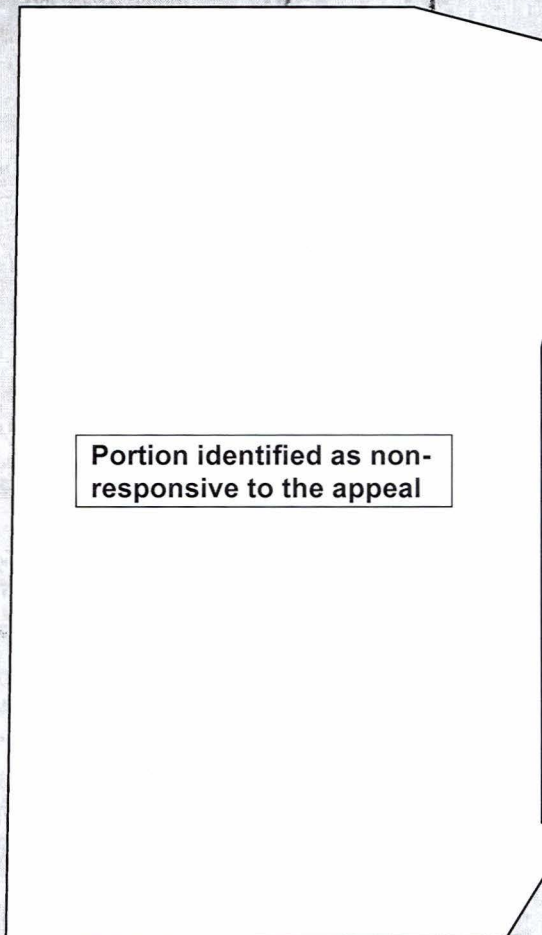
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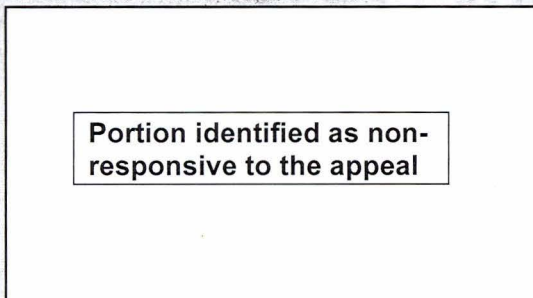


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COSMOS 206 A WEATHER SATELLITE
Has all the characteristics of its predecessors.
COSMOS 207 IS SOVIETS' 4th RECCE SATELLITE
THIS YEAR
Launched from Plesetsk



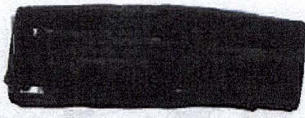
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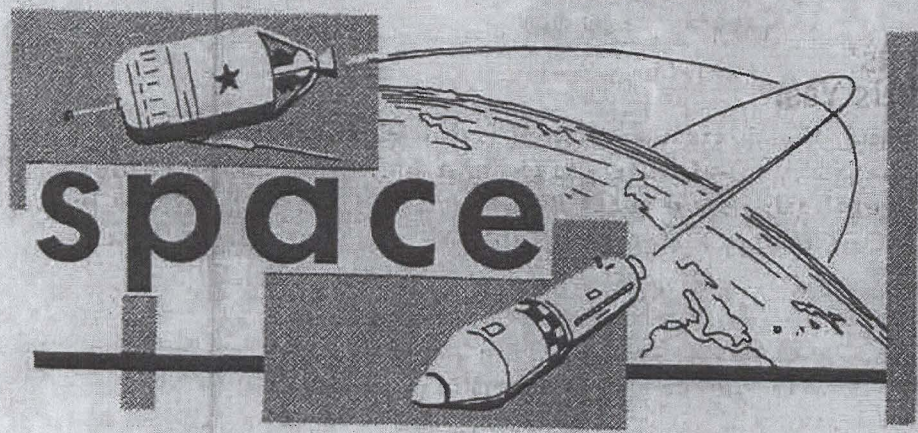


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Cosmos 206 a Weather Satellite

Cosmos 206, which the Soviets launched from the Plesetsk Space and Missile Complex at about 0934Z, 14 March, is a meteorological satellite. Like all previous Soviet weather satellites and prototypes thereof, Cosmos 206 was orbited by the SL-3 launch system, which consists of the SS-6 booster-sustainer and the light Lunik upper stage. (The SL-3 has been used for no other launch program since May 1967.)

The following orbital parameters have been reported for Cosmos 206 by NORAD's Space Defense Center; they are similar to those of previous Soviet weather satellites:

Inclination	81.14 degrees
Period	97.847 minutes
Apogee	706.41 km (380 n. m.)
Perigee	600 km (322 n. m.)

Current status of the 4 satellites which are or have been part of the Soviets "Meteor" system of weather satellites is:

- Cosmos 144 (launched 28 Feb 67): Intermittent data being received in Washington from Moscow; mostly infrared data, only occasional TV of cloud cover.
- Cosmos 156 (launched 27 Apr 67): No indications that usable weather data is being received.
- Cosmos 184 (launched 24 Oct 67): Washington receiving data regularly from Moscow.
- Cosmos 206 (launched 14 Mar 68): Washington receiving data regularly from Moscow.

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Cosmos 207, is Soviets' 4th Recce Satellite this Year

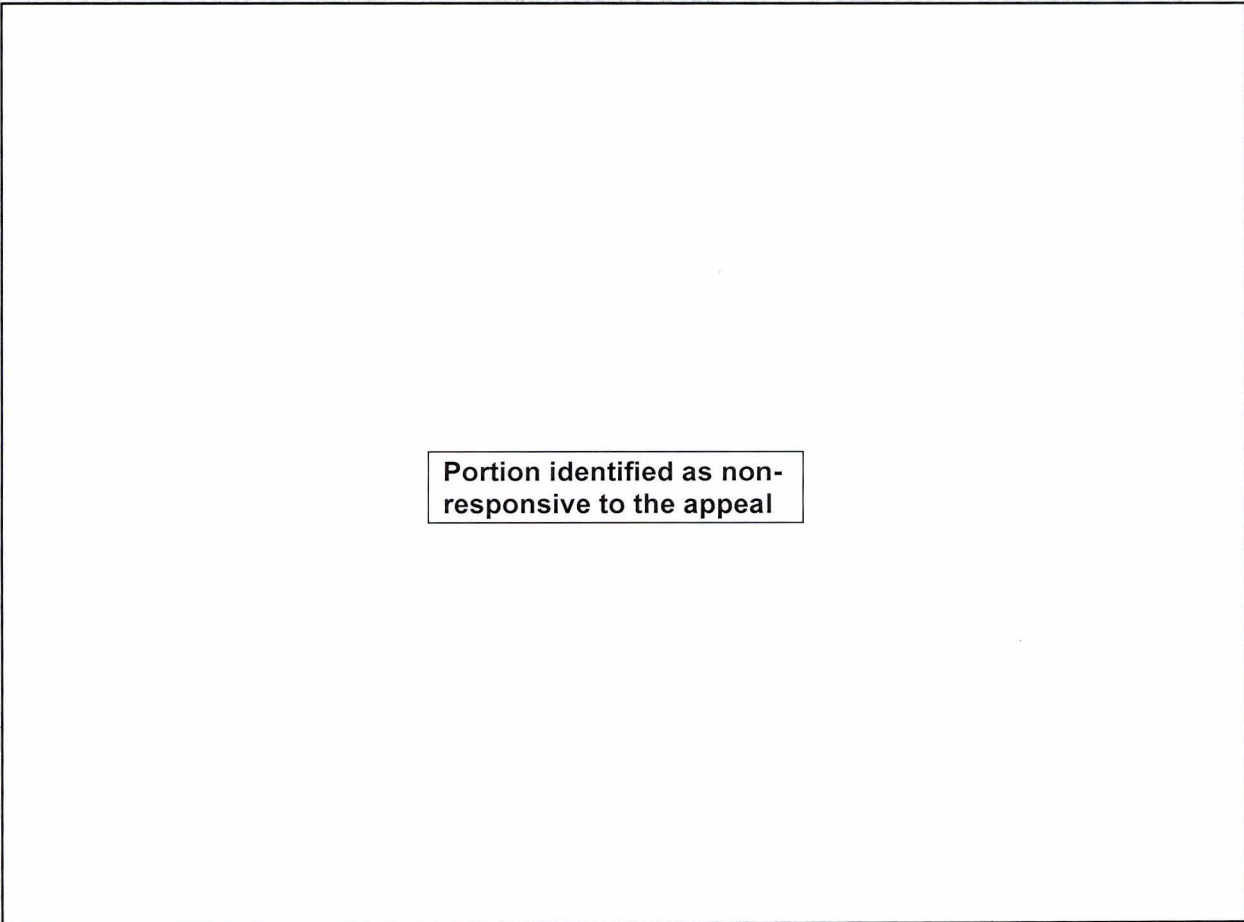
Cosmos 207, which the Soviets launched from Plesetsk at about 1228Z, 16 March, is a reconnaissance satellite carrying a high-resolution camera system. It is the Soviets' 4th recce satellite launch of 1968 and the 2nd high-resolution system. NORAD Space Defense Center reports its orbital parameters as follows:

Inclination	65.6 degrees
Period	89.9 minutes
Apogee	348 kilometers (187 n. m.)
Perigee	205 kilometers (108 n. m.)

Cosmos 207 will probably be recovered 24 March after its normal eight-day mission.

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