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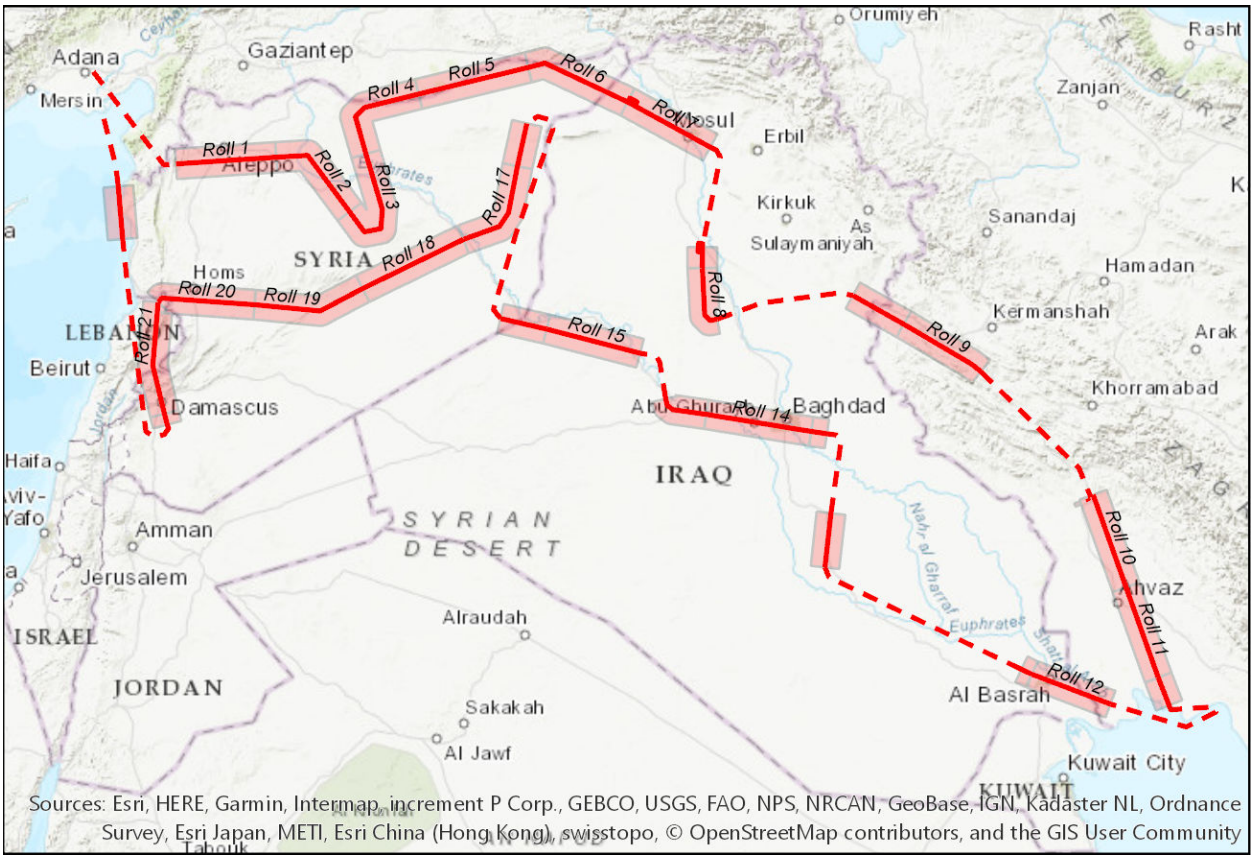

See http://arcg.is/1zKG1e for an interactive web map version.

Flight path notes. Flight was reconstructed using track clock positions and the declassified hand-drawn chart (see no. 1 below). Flight path was corrected for Rolls 7 and 16 via georeferenced vertical frames from the main camera. The flight planned to target the Persian Gulf coast and parts of the interior of Saudi Arabia but this southern extent was aborted for uncertain reasons (see no. 1).

Mode notes. Main camera appears to have always been in 7-position Mode 1, according to the declassified chart (no. 1, see below).

Main Camera notes. Main camera was turned off and back on nine times during the mission before final shutoff near Latakya. These cutoffs are reconstructed from the declassified chart (no. 1) and confirmed in Rolls 7 and 16.

Appears that main camera clock stopped around 7:20 am, near the Persian Gulf. Roll 16 frames are all at 7:25:03 am.

Relevant declassified documents in CREST

See https://www.cia.gov/library/readingroom/collection/crest-25-year-program-archive.

1. CIA-RDP89B00551R000400130013-9 Hand-drawn but geographically accurate chart showing flight path, timing, and camera modes
2. CIA-RDP89B00551R000400130014-8 Cable
3. CIA-RDP89B00551R000400130019-3 Cable

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Film Rolls in NARA

MISSION	CAMERA	ROLL	STARTFRAME	ENDFRAME	TOTFRAMES	ON	BARCODE	CAN
1512	L	1	1	133	133	76793	12333	4719
1512	R	1	1	133	133	78283	9006	4741
1512	L	2	134	266	133	77249	9491	4720
1512	R	2	134	266	133	78281	8999	4742
1512	L	3	267	399	133	77208	9580	4721
1512	R	3	267	399	133	78266	9014	4743
1512	L	4	400	532	133	77328	9673	4722
1512	R	4	400	532	133	80422	8387	4744
1512	L	5	533	665	133	77226	9516	4723
1512	R	5	533	665	133	79088	8607	4745
1512	L	6	666	798	133	79067	8586	4724
1512	R	6	666	798	133	80413	8300	4746
1512	L	7	799	931	133	78247	9023	4725
1512	R	7	799	931	133	78298	9002	4747
1512	L	8	932	1064	133	80445	8388	4726
1512	R	8	932	1064	133	79055	8587	4748
1512	L	9	1065	1197	133	79077	8579	4727
1512	R	9	1065	1197	133	79080	8605	4749
1512	L	10	1198	1330	133	78280	9026	4728
1512	R	10	1198	1330	133	80412	8305	4750
1512	L	11	1331	1463	133	76546	9696	4729
1512	R	11	1331	1463	133	79054	8584	4751
1512	L	12	1464	1596	133	79056	8590	4730
1512	R	12	1464	1596	133	80414	8297	4752
1512	L	13	1597	1729	133	79070	8601	4731
1512	R	13	1597	1729	133	79051	8569	4753
1512	L	14	1730	1862	133	79139	8565	4732
1512	R	14	1730	1862	133	80361	8294	4754
1512	L	15	1863	1995	133	79059	8576	4733
1512	R	15	1863	1995	133	79066	8591	4755
1512	L	16	1996	2128	133	80411	8291	4734
1512	R	16	1996	2128	133	79068	8585	4756
1512	L	17	2129	2261	133	79049	8571	4735
1512	R	17	2129	2261	133	78269	9000	4757
1512	L	18	2262	2394	133	78285	8993	4736
1512	R	18	2262	2394	133	78252	9025	4758
1512	L	19	2395	2527	133	78326	9004	4737
1512	R	19	2395	2527	133	77313	9658	4759
1512	L	20	2528	2660	133	80363	8295	4738
1512	R	20	2528	2660	133	79044	9316	4760
1512	L	21	2661	2793	133	79062	8583	4739

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1512	R	21	2661	2793	133	77204	9549	4761
1512	L	22	2794	2819	26	78328	8997	4740
1512	R	22	2794	2819	26	77322	9679	4762
1512	TRACKER		1	700	700	77162	12796	4712

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