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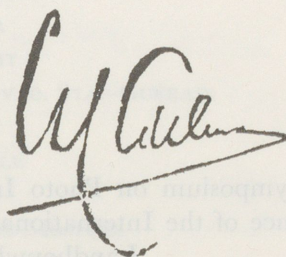
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The Symposium on Photo Interpretation was organized by the Steering Committee of Commission VII under the auspices of the Netherlands Society for Photogrammetry and in cooperation with UNESCO and FAO. It was held in the International Training Centre for Aerial Survey and adjacent buildings of the Technological University from August 29–September 5, 1962.

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The subjects treated dealt with the application of aerial photo interpretation in many different scientific fields, but special stress was laid upon its importance for the – especially in developing countries – urgent matter of natural resources inventory. This volume contains the scientific contributions to the Symposium and the essential discussions. The purpose of these transactions is to disseminate the gathered knowledge to broader scientific circles. May this aim be fully achieved.

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