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**Proposal Abstract J140(A74)**

1. **Arms Control Problem:**  
Conventional weapons - ground forces
2. **Verification Type:**  
Remote sensors - satellite
3. **Source:**  
Scoville, H. "A Leap Forward in Verification". In SALT: The Moscow Agreements and Beyond, pp. 160-182. Edited by M. Willrich and J.B. Rhineland. New York: The Free Press, 1974.
4. **Summary:**

This proposal suggests that significant troop movements can be monitored, at least in daylight, by visible light photography by satellites. Military equipment could also be monitored by satellite sensors, even if camouflaged. The author proposes that any agreement seeking to restrict troop deployments (in Europe for instance) should include a clause similar to Article XII of the ABM Treaty making it a violation to deliberately conceal redeployments of troops and military vehicles. If it were further stipulated that troops and military vehicles could only cross borders at specific points, and only during the daytime, the work of verification would be greatly simplified. Such provisions would also assist in the task of differentiating between normal resupply operations and the reintroduction or redeployment of forbidden forces.