

USCIB: 9.2/36

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23 May 1955

~~SECRET~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Alerting the Highest Authorities.

References: (a) USCIB 9.2/34 of 26 April 1955.  
(b) USCIB 9.2/35 of 12 May 1955.

1. As a result of the vote sheet action on reference (a) as recorded in reference (b), subject topic was discussed in Executive Session at the 115th meeting of USCIB on 20 May 1955.


2. The discussion centered around the matter of providing crucial items of COMINT to the National Indications Center (NIC) and a decision was reached as follows on that point:

a. The Board authorized the Director, NSA to furnish to the NIC, directly or otherwise, such COMINT products as are required by the Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC) to be so provided.

b. The Board noted that the Director, NSA is strongly of the opinion that the NIC cannot afford to be without direct receipt of selected COMINT products from the National Security Agency and therefore he recommends arrangements be made by the NIC for direct receipt by the NIC of selected COMINT material of an urgent nature.

3. Accordingly a notification of this action has been sent to the Secretary of the IAC with copies to the Directors, NSA and NIC. A copy of that notification is enclosed herewith.

4. In addition, it has been learned since the meeting that, in view of the assurances by the CIA member that the NSC Committee mentioned in the enclosure with reference (a) is including in its deliberations a study of the existing situation with regard to alerting the highest authorities, the Director, NSA is now willing to accept the recommendations of the USCIB Intelligence Committee as set forth in the enclosure with reference (a). Accordingly, reference (a) stands approved in the light of the understandings set forth above.

  
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Captain, U. S. Navy  
Executive Secretary, USCIB

Enclosure

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~~SECRET~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Subject: Provision of Communications Intelligence (COMINT) to the National Indications Center.

1. At a recent meeting of the United States Communications Intelligence Board the question of alerting the highest authorities of the government concerning crucial items of COMINT was discussed. Incidental to that discussion the Board authorized the Director of the National Security Agency to furnish to the National Indications Center (NIC), directly or otherwise, such COMINT products as are required by the IAC to be so provided. In addition, the Board noted that the Director, NSA is strongly of the opinion that the NIC cannot afford to be without direct receipt of selected COMINT products from the NSA and that therefore he recommends arrangements be made by the NIC for direct receipt by the NIC of selected COMINT material of an urgent nature.

2. The above is transmitted to you for the information of the Intelligence Advisory Committee.

(Signed)  
RUFUS L. TAYLOR  
Captain, U. S. Navy  
Executive Secretary, USCIB

Copy to:  
Director, NSA.  
Director, NIC.

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