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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

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1. PURPOSE - The purpose of this Regulation is to set forth the organization and functions of the National Security Agency Scientific Advisory Board (NSASAB), hereinafter called the Board.

2. GENERAL - This Board supersedes an organization which was established in March 1951 as the Special Cryptologic Advisory Group (SCAG) by the Research and Development Board (RDE), Department of Defense, at the suggestion of the Director of the Armed Forces Security Agency, now known as the National Security Agency. The fundamental purpose in establishing SCAG was to assemble a specific group of outstanding technical consultants in certain fields of interest to the National Security Agency (NSA), and thus provide a valuable source of advice and assistance in solving special problems in the cryptologic field.

3. MISSION - The Board will advise the Director of NSA on scientific matters related to the fulfillment of the mission of this Agency and will report its recommendations directly to the Director. Individually, the members of the Board will serve as consultants, within their respective fields of science, to the various activities of NSA.

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4. FUNCTIONS - In order to advise the Director concerning possible methods of solving present and future problems, and concerning ways and means of increasing the technical competence of personnel and equipment assigned to the solution of these problems, the Board will:

a. Review all necessary data concerning the principal cryptologic problems now being attacked and important problems attacked in the past, together with methods proposed for the solutions of these problems, results of applications of these methods, and prediction of the problems which are likely to arise in the future;

b. Bring to the attention of the Director scientific studies and developments which may be applicable to the solution of these problems, and ideas which may lead to solutions or progress toward solutions;

c. Suggest changes of emphasis in the efforts applied, so as to increase the expected gains;

d. Keep the Director informed of the latest studies and developments in various scientific fields of interest to NSA, make recommendations on particular lines of endeavor on which NSA should place emphasis, and assist the Director in establishing contacts with leaders and agencies in these fields;

e. When requested by the Director:

- (1) Survey laboratory, testing, and processing equipment, advising the Director on their adequacy;
- (2) Evaluate the application of scientific effort on NSA problems;
- (3) Survey current and projected technical educational programs, review their adequacy, and recommend appropriate courses of study consistent with the most advanced thinking in various fields of science and research;
- (4) Advise the Director concerning desirable increases in his technical assets (subject to limitations imposed by pertinent regulations and available means) by specific suggestions concerning:

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- (a) Recruitment of scientific personnel;
- (b) Improvement in working conditions;
- (c) Equipment which should be acquired;
- (5) Act as consultants, individually or in groups, to various activities of NSA;

f. Prepare an annual report to the Director setting forth an account of the activities of the Board, including an evaluation of the contributions of the members acting individually and as a Board.

5. CHAIRMAN - The Chairman of the Board will be designated by the Director and will continue as Chairman at the discretion of the Director.

6. MEMBERSHIP - The permanent members of the Board will be appointed by the Director. The term of the appointment of the members will be at the discretion of the Director. Members will be selected from outstanding men in the various fields of science of interest to NSA. The Chairman may apportion the membership among appropriate technical panels and committees to facilitate studying assigned problems and administering Board business. From time to time, for special purposes, the Director may appoint outside scientists to serve as members of ad hoc committees or panels of the Board.

7. IMPLEMENTATION OF BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS - In all cases the Director will notify the Chairman of the Board of action taken on Board recommendations.

8. EXECUTIVE GROUP FOR BOARD AFFAIRS -

a. An Executive Group for Board Affairs (EXSAB) will be established within NSA to conduct effective and necessary liaison with members of the Board, and to assist in the operation of the Board.

b. The membership of EXSAB will be determined by the Director.

c. The Chairman of EXSAB will have the following responsibilities, and will be assisted as required by the other members of the Group:

- (1) Preparing presentations to the Board, including visits to activities with which it may be concerned;

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- (2) Assisting the Chairman of the Board in arrangements for Board meetings;
- (3) Making arrangements for visits of Board members to NSA;
- (4) Providing pertinent technical reports, studies, and other materials requested by the Board or individual members thereof;
- (5) Monitoring implementation of approved recommendations of the Board;
- (6) Advising the Director, as appropriate, on matters pertaining to the Board.

9. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY -

a. The Chairman of EXSAB, in addition to his other duties, will serve as Executive Secretary of the Board, and he will provide assistance to the Chairman of the Board as may be necessary for the proper conduct of Board activities.

b. The Executive Secretary will receive from NSA activities requests for the consultant services of individual Board members and take necessary action thereon.

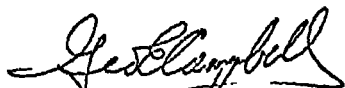
10. MEETINGS - Meetings of the Board will be held at such times as agreed upon by the Director and the Chairman of the Board.

11. This regulation supersedes NSA regulation 20-10, dated 21 August 1952.

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