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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
DIRECTOR, NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

SUBJECT: Interim Implementation of NSCID No. 9 Revised

REFERENCE: Memorandum of 28 October 1952 from the Executive Secretary, National Security Council, Subject: Communications Intelligence (COMINT) Activities Transmitting NSCID No. 9 Revised

1. Pending development of appropriate implementing directives of NSCID No. 9 Revised (attached), the following interim arrangements are placed in effect this date:

a. The designation of the Armed Forces Security Agency is hereby changed to the National Security Agency (NSA).

b. All military and civilian personnel, funds, records, equipment, facilities and other support now available to or authorized for the Armed Forces Security Agency are hereby made available to and authorized for the National Security Agency. Arrangements heretofore in effect for the provision of personnel, fiscal and other support for AFSA shall continue in effect for NSA unless otherwise modified.

c. Pursuant to the provisions of NSCID No. 9 Revised, all COMINT collection and production resources of the Department of Defense are hereby placed under the operational and technical control of the Director of NSA.

d. All directives, orders or instructions relating to COMINT matters issued by any authorities within the Department of Defense inconsistent or at variance with the provisions of NSCID No. 9 Revised will be immediately brought to the attention of the Secretary of Defense by the initiating authorities and/or the Director of NSA.

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e. Responsibilities for COMSEC activities and any matters related to COMINT now assigned to the Director of AFSA shall continue to be assigned to the Director of NSA.

2. The Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force shall each designate a representative to USCIB as reconstituted by NSCID No. 9 Revised, and so inform the Director of Central Intelligence, Chairman of USCIB.

3. Addressees of this memorandum will each appoint a representative to a working group, to be chaired by the Director, National Security Agency (or his designated representative) to develop all appropriate and necessary directives for formal implementation of the provisions of NSCID No. 9 Revised. Such directives will be submitted to the Secretary of Defense for approval prior to 21 November 1952.

/s/ ROBERT A. LOVETT
~~Robert A. Lovett~~
~~Secretary of Defense~~

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