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REDESIGNATION OF ARMED FORCES SECURITY AGENCY AS NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

1. The Armed Forces Security Agency (AFSA) is redesignated as the National Security Agency (NSA) effective 4 November 1952.

2. Fundamentally, the broad mission and functions of the Agency remain unchanged, although the Director, National Security Agency, will have considerably increased responsibilities.

3. Detailed plans for the conversion of AFSA to NSA are now being formulated and will be published at the earliest practicable date. Pending such publication, current policies and operating practices of the Agency will remain in effect.

4. The complete cooperation of all concerned is desired in the suppression of speculations, idle rumors, and fearful conjecture which may adversely affect the continued fulfillment of our mission.

5. Further information regarding this change will be made known to you as early as practicable.

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