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MEMORANDUM FOR ADMIRAL KING

SUBJECT: Signal Intelligence

References: (1) Top Secret Ultra memorandum for General Marshall from Admiral King, dated 2 Oct 45, and references listed therein

(2) Top Secret Ultra memorandum for General Marshall and Admiral King from ANCIB, dated 22 Aug 45

1. After reading your memorandum of 2 October, copy attached, I am convinced that a joint Ultra intelligence evaluation center would be ineffective unless in the same center there were combined all other types of Army and Navy intelligence.

2. It seems to me that the best solution for improving not only the effectiveness of Ultra intelligence but to resolve the entire question of Army and Navy intelligence organization would be for us to combine in one location, under joint control, all Army and Navy intelligence effort, personnel and direction including all of the product of the Ultra. Such positive action on our part at this time would go far to clear the confused question of post-war military intelligence organization and would form a sound basis on which the armed services could join with the State Department in a united effort, insuring effective coordination and control, the exploitation of the experience that our organizations have gained in this field during the war and the best basis for preserving the necessary security of Ultra intelligence in the future.

3. I hope you can concur in this proposal.

Chief of Staff

Signed by GCM on
10 Oct & delivered to
Adm King

(Copies not stamped)