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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

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WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR NAVY MEMBERS, ARMY-NAVY COMMUNICATION INTELLIGENCE BOARD.
(Chief of Naval Intelligence)
(Chief of Naval Communications)

Subject: Coordination of Army-Navy Communication Intelligence Activities.

References: (a) Memo from General Eisenhower dated 2 January 1946 on subject of signal intelligence.
(b) Memo from Chief of Naval Operations to General Eisenhower of 4 January 1946.

1. References (a) and (b) are forwarded to the Navy members of ANCIB for information. You will note that General Eisenhower suggests that a fresh start be made on the entire subject of coordinating and integrating Army and Navy communication intelligence (signal intelligence), and that I have agreed with him.

2. You are, therefore, directed to work out, within ANCIB, a solution for the most effective coordination and integration of the communication intelligence (signal intelligence) activities of Army and Navy. You are to approach this problem with open minds and may consider that any restrictions which have been placed upon this subject by past correspondence may be disregarded by you.

3. I feel that it is imperative that the reduced personnel available to both Army and Navy cryptanalytic activities during the post war period can produce the best results only if their work is closely coordinated under some form of joint direction.

4. If you cannot arrive at an agreement satisfactory to both Navy and Army members of ANCIB, I desire that you submit the Navy's proposal to me.

/s/ C. W. NIMITZ.

Enclosure (A)