SUBJECT: Historical Records of Naval Communication Intelligence Operations

TO: Director of Naval Intelligence
The Pentagon

1. It is understood that the Naval archives in the custody of the Head, Security Branch, Naval Communications Division, contain histories of the activities of Navy communications intelligence organizations during World War II. It is considered that a great deal of this material would be of tremendous benefit to this Agency as background information in its communication intelligence activities.

2. Since no official documents on this subject are otherwise available, it is requested that a representative of this Agency be authorized access to these histories with a view toward extracting therefrom such information as may be of assistance to this Agency in improving its operations.

3. If this authorization is granted, the official historian of the Agency, who is fully cleared and indoctrinated for access to communication intelligence material, will be designated to review the material in the archives.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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