FROM: Executive Director

TO: G-2 Secretariat

SUBJECT:

For Approval of a quote made by Gen. Chamberlin at Arlington Hall. For signature and dispatch.

This statement will be used in Leavenworth Law School if approved. Please return to Col. Brosa.

Declassified and approved for release by NSA on 05-27-2014 pursuant to E.O. 13526.
Herewith, extract desired. Part quoting Sec. Chamberlain marked by red lines.

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You will recall that when he was out here Gen. Chamberlain made a rather striking statement regarding the value of the sign in providing him with evidence of what it meant in saving casualties in shortening the war. I'd like very much to be

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able to quote him. Please use it in next set of lectures to be prepared for War College. Could you ask him please if he may use it? Would he be willing to put it in writing?

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12 Aug.

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We should present to him in writing just what we are going to quote so there will be no mistake. Please let me have an extract from the lecture which I will ask him to OK.
MEMO ROUTING SLIP

TO: Col. Hayla

DATE: 5 May 6

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REMARKS

Gen. Chamberlin approved a modified version of his quote (see his note and lack of type page).

FROM: R.A. SOLOMON

PHONE: Colonel, GSO

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Those of you who have followed with more than casual interest the sensational disclosures made in the course of long, protracted hearings of the Joint Congressional Committee on the Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Attack will recall that time and again "Magic" was mentioned. For example, on page 79 of the Majority Report of that Committee, published on 20 July 1946, you'll find this statement:

INTELLIGENCE AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON

THE "MAGIC"

"With the exercise of the greatest ingenuity and utmost resourcefulness, regarded by the committee as meriting the highest commendation, the War and Navy Departments collaborated in breaking the Japanese diplomatic codes. Through the exploitation of intercepted and decoded messages between Japan and her diplomatic establishments, the so-called Magic, a wealth of intelligence concerning the purposes of the Japanese was available in Washington."

and again, on page 232:

"... all witnesses familiar with Magic material throughout the war have testified that it contributed enormously to the defeat of the enemy, greatly shortened the war, and saved many thousands of lives."

I'd like to recall to you in their own words what some of these witnesses actually said, but there isn't time. However, I'm sure you know that among these witnesses were some of the foremost men of our day—top ranking officers in the Army, Navy, and State Department, and therefore their testimony bears great weight. They all knew the value of this mysterious material, "Magic". What these officers could say in an open hearing was, of course, quite limited, so let me read to you what the Secretary of State said in a memorandum dated 3 January 1944 to the AC of S, G-2, regarding the value of "Magic."

"The Department has found this material valuable at all times, and vital in a number of highly important situations. It would appear that information of this kind, and its analysis, will be even more vital in the future than in the past, both during the period of actual hostilities, and for a considerable period of time (which cannot now be estimated) after the hostilities may be concluded. This material is of great value in determining the facts on which policy must be formulated or action taken."

Coming a bit closer to home authorities, I will quote what Major General Chamberlain, who throughout the war in the Pacific was G-3 on General MacArthur's staff and who is the present Director of Intelligence, recently stated:

"The information G-2 gave G-3 in the Pacific Theater alone saved us over a million casualties and shortened the war by at least two years."

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This type of material in the Pacific Theatre saved thousands of lives and shortened the war by months rather than two years.