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As he stated in his letter of 20 December, Colonel Peterson turned over to me your comparative table of security rules and I have examined it with considerable interest. The matter of ironing out our differences in application of the rules will be taken up very soon, I hope. My small committee working on the problem of the proper classification of instructional documents dealing with traffic analysis is, of course, concerned in the matter. A sub-group is supposed to report this week or next week at the latest and then perhaps the full committee will know better how we stand. We shall also take a look at the two Military Intelligence pamphlets you left with Colonel Peterson. We have no current equivalent pamphlets and have only something much out of step with the state of affairs resulting from organizational changes made since the end of 1945.

I must apologize not only for the delay in responding to your request for a few copies of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force manual on traffic analysis (TM 32-250; AFM 100-80) but also for being unable to send you at this moment more than two copies. Although I asked for half a dozen copies immediately upon receipt of your request, something went awry and only by my making repeated inquiries were two copies made available to me today. I am sure that there is no reluctance in providing you with copies--there has merely been a slip-up somewhere and I hope to send you a few more soon.

After you have examined the manual I would much appreciate your comments as to its contents and present classification. I think I told you that there is a considerable amount of disagreement amongst curselves on the latter score and don't doubt that if you were to consult with a number of your associates, similar differences in view will emerge. Your own view will, however, be appreciated if you feel free to give it, together with the views of any others who are willing to let you have them for this purpose.

With best wishes to you for the New Year and cordial greetings,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

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