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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIBEC:

Subject: Agenda for Fifteenth Meeting of USCIBEC Scheduled for 1400, Friday, 21 May 1954.

Reference: USCIB 5.3/37 dated 21 May 1954.

1. The reference listed for discussion as item 3 "Emergency Dissemination of COMINT". Papers for this item will not be ready in time for due consideration prior to the meeting. As there appears to be no great urgency requiring immediate action on this item it is hereby deleted from subject agenda.

2. The military members of the Intelligence Committee have, however, expressed a desire for immediate consideration of a proposal to place certain material in Category I as soon as such action can be arranged. Accordingly, and if there is no objection from the members, USCIB 13.7/16 will be proposed for consideration as item 3.

  
RUFUS L. TAYLOR  
Captain, U. S. Navy  
Executive Secretary, USCIB

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UNITED STATES COMMUNICATIONS INTELLIGENCE BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEAGENDA FOR

Fifteenth Meeting at 1400, on Friday, 28 May 1954,  
in Room 2E-687, National Defense Building,  
Washington, D. C.

Captain Rufus L. Taylor, USN, Chairman

PART I - Agenda Items

<u>Date of Initial Consideration</u>	<u>Subject Numbers</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Submitted by</u>
28 May 1954	3.5/	1. Canadian Request for Copies of NSASAB Report on "The Potentialities of COMINT for Strategic Warning" (USCIB 3.5/3, 3.5/4).	NSA Member
28 May 1954	13.8/	2. Classification and Handling of "War Secrets in the Ether, Vol. II (Part III)" (USCIB 13.8/17).	Exec. Secy.
28 May 1954	13.7/	3. Emergency Dissemination of COMINT. (Proposed USCIB Directive to be Distributed.)	Exec. Secy.

(SECRETARY'S NOTE: It is requested that each Member notify the Office of the Executive Secretary by 1500, Thursday, 27 May 1954, of the names of representatives who will attend the meeting.)

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H. D. JONES  
Secretary, USCIBEC

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(Note: Final Minutes of the Fourteenth Meeting have not been distributed. These minutes will be considered at the next meeting.)

1.        Canadian Request for Copies of NSASAB Report on "The Potentialities of COMINT for Strategic Warning" (USCIB 3.5/3, 3.5/4). The original report on this subject--the so-called "Robertson Report"--was given limited distribution to USCIB members as CIB #000199, 6 November 1953. Based upon a request by Canadian authorities for copies of the report a sanitized version was prepared. This version has been submitted to USCIBEC (USCIB 3.5/3) with a request that it be approved for transmittal to the Canadians.
  
2.        Classification and Handling of "War Secrets in the Ether, Vol. II (Part III)" (USCIB 13.8/17). The classification of Volume I of "War Secrets in the Ether" was considered by USCIBEC (USCIB 13.8/12) on 27 November 1953 at which time it was agreed that the volume should be considered UNCLASSIFIED and that the Director, NSA should be asked to take such steps as are feasible to limit distribution of the publication and access to it. This USCIBEC decision was approved by USCIB (USCIB 13.8/10).  
           During the discussion of the classification of Volume I it was suggested that Volume II, upon publication, also be considered as to classification. Copies of Volume II were distributed to the Security Committee for study. Recommendations by the Committee, with comments by the Executive Secretary, are contained in USCIB 13.8/17.
  
3.        Emergency Dissemination of COMINT. The USCIB Intelligence Committee has prepared for USCIBEC consideration a proposed USCIB directive on the above subject. The proposed directive, which will be distributed at the earliest possible date, is the end result of lengthy consideration of this problem--the matter first having been raised in USCIB 5/460, 30 July 1953. By USCIB 13.7/11, 19 April 1954, a previous draft of this directive was submitted for USCIBEC approval. This draft was accepted in principle (USCIB 13.7/14), but was returned to the Intelligence Committee for review and modification of certain designated portions.

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