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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE: U.S. COMMUNICATIONS INTELLIGENCE BOARD U.S. COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY BOARD

Subject:

Issue of a Class A Cryptosystem to the Republic of

Korea Army.

References:

(a) USCIB 12./6 (COMSEC 2-/8) of 17 September 1954.

(b) USCIB 12./8 (COMSEC 2-/9) of 21 October 1954.

- 1. In accordance with the intention of the procedures set forth in the enclosure with reference (a), the enclosed request from the Republic of Korea Army, forwarded through the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, U.S. Army, is circulated herewith for information and such action as may be deemed appropriate.
- 2. In order to avoid the likelihood of an unfortunate mix up and with the factors indicated in reference (b) in mind, copies of the enclosure hereto are being furnished to the Chairman, S-D MICC for information.

Paptain, U. S. Navy

Executive Secretary, USCIB/USCSB

Enclosure a/s

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TO:

Director

National Security Agency Washington 25, D. C.

1. References:

a. USCIB 12./6 - Comsec 2-/8, Memorandum for the Members of USCIB and USCSB, Subject: "Procedures for Dealing with Requests from Foreign Governments for Comsec Assistance," dated 17 September 1954.

- b. Message, ASA Far East, Nr. A 3267, dated 12 October 1954, Inclosure 1.
- 2. In compliance with reference la, above, subject request for communications security assistance is forwarded herewith.
- 3. The following communications security assistance has been given to the Republic of Korea Army to date:
 - a. Strip Cipher System (modified principle)
 - b. Numerical One-time Pads
 - c. Multi-lingual Operational Code
 - d. Playfair
- 4. If it is anticipated that final action or decision on this matter will be delayed longer than one month, it is requested that the Assistant Chief of Staff, G2, Department of the Army, be informed of any interim actions contemplated or taken, so that the Eighth Army can, if necessary, initiate appropriate action prior to the withdrawal of U.S. cryptographic liaison teams to the Republic of Korea Army.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2

(SIGNED)
J.H. MONTGOMERY, JR.
Colonel, GS
Chief, Plans and
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RECURRENT REQ REC BY THIS HQ FROM ARMY 8 THROUGH CHAN REF
ISS TO ROKA OF CLASS A CRYPTO SYS, OTHER THAN DIANA; AND
POSSIBILITY OF RELEASE TO ROKA OF CERTAIN JANAP AND ACP
FOR USE IN RATT AND TWX COMM. MOST RECENT REQ WAS BASED ON
STATEMENT THAT US KMAG CRYPTO PERS BELOW ROKA 1ST FIELD
ARMY TO BE WITHDRAWN ON 31 DEC 54. SUCH WITHDRAWAL WILL
PLACE ENTIRE RESP FOR ROKA CRYPTO COMM ON ROKA PERS BELOW
ROKA FIRST FIELD ARMY. ENTIRE CORRESPONDENCE ON THIS SUBJ
BEING FWD YOUR HQ BY AIR MAIL. REQ STATEMENT OF POLICY
CONCERNING SUBJ ISS AND RELEASE TO ROKA BE FURN THROUGH COMD
CHAN TO FEC WITH INFO COPY TO THIS HQ AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

AS CM IN NR: 7172 (12 OCTOBER 54)

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