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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIBEC:

Subject:

Procedure for Handling Matters Involving Base Rights for

Intercept Activities in Foreign Countries.

1. To achieve better coordination, under USCIB policy control, of matters involving base rights for intercept activities in foreign countries the procedure set forth below is suggested.

- 2. A Standing Committee of USCIBEC for Intercept Base Rights should be established and composed of one representative each from the Department of Defense, Department of State, and the National Security Agency, the chair to be provided by the Department of Defense member.
- 3. From their inception, throughout subsequent negotiations and before entering into any agreement with a foreign country for base rights for COMINT intercept activities all matters pertaining to such negotiations should be referred to the above-mentioned Standing Committee which will be expected to study the matter and report expeditiously their views and recommendations to the USCIB Executive Committee for further consideration and recommendations as appropriate.
- 4. In order to provide a central channel for referring such matters to the above mentioned Standing Committee all members will be expected to notify the office of the Executive Secretary, USCIB without delay whenever a matter involving negotiations for intercept base rights comes to their attention. The Executive Secretary will be expected to refer the matter to the Standing Committee immediately and to take such other action as he may deem appropriate in the way of notifying the members of USCIB or USCIBEC.
- 5. It is requested that members indicate their views with regard to the above by executing the attached vote sheet and returning it to this office by the close of business Thursday, 30 September 1954.

Captain, U. S. Navy

Executive Secretary, USCIB

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