SUBJECT: Intercept Assignment at Monitor Station Six

THRU: Chief, Intelligence Division, SPSIS-9

TO: Director of Communications Research, SPSIS-3

1. Attached as Tab "A" is the intercept mission in effect at Monitor Station Six, Philippine Islands, during December 1941.

2. Tab "A" includes an outline of the intercept and traffic forwarding directive in effect at Monitor Station Six on 1 December 1941, together with all changes made during that month; this outline was prepared from a basic assignment dated 8 October 1940 and subsequent changes thereto which were sent by radiogram.

3. This information was obtained from material in the Communications Branch central file. These files are being retained temporarily in SPSIB-4 and are available for inspection.

4. A summary of traffic intercepted at Station 6 during the month ending 22 November 1941 can be prepared upon request from records available in SPSIB-4; no traffic dated later than 22 November 1941 was received according to these records.

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Tab "A"

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1. Intercept Assignment of Monitor Station Six as of 1 December 1941

a. Coverage:

(1) Japanese Military Circuits

(2) Commercial circuits, in order of priority as follows:

(a) Berlin to Tokyo
(b) Bangkok to Tokyo
(c) Batavia to Tokyo
(d) Manila to Tokyo
(e) Tokyo to Manila
(f) Saigon to Tokyo

(3) Search for following:

(a) Long wave transmissions on above listed commercial circuits.
(b) Long wave transmissions on any other circuits, with priority to Tokyo, Berlin, and Moscow transmitters.
(c) Broadcasts of Japanese coded traffic.

b. Types of traffic to be submitted:

(1) All Japanese, German, Italian, Mexican, and Spanish government traffic.

(2) Russian government code addressed to Komavnech, Polpred, or Narkomindel.

(3) German, Italian and Mexican government plain-text.

c. Means of forwarding traffic:

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2. Changes In Intercept Assignment Made During December 1941:

   a. 2 December: Copy all Japanese plain-text. (Att. 1)

   7 December: Forward by priority enciphered radio all Japanese plain-text messages ending with the English word STOP. (Att. 2)

   9 December: Drop all current directives. Obtain fullest possible coverage of Japanese Army traffic. Forward by radio as much as possible of best copies of this traffic. Forward remainder by fastest available means. (This was the last directive to be radioed to the Philippine Detachment.) (Att. 3)
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TELEGRAM
OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

SECRET

FROM: WAR DEPARTMENT PRIORITY
BUREAU
A.W. MINCKLER,
Lt Col Signal Corps

INITIALS

DATA

12/7/41

SENT NO. 527, 12/7
SENT NO. 728, 12/7

SIGNAL OFFICER HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT

SIGNAL OFFICER PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT.

MONITORING STATION WILL FORWARD IN SYSTEM THIRTEEN ALL TRAFFIC
NOW SUBMITTED IN THAT SYSTEM AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE

OLMSTEAD
December 2, 1941.

Effective at once monitoring station will copy all Japanese Plain Text in addition to code text Diplomatic Traffic stop. This traffic will be forwarded with regular traffic.

COLTON Acting

SENT No. 678, Manila, 12/2
SENT No. 494, PANAMA, 12/2
SENT No. 385, 9th CA, 12/2
SENT No. 83, 8th CA, 12/2
Unnumbered SENT FT. MONMOUTH, 12/2

Also on 2 Dec Hawaii was asked to send all Japanese text at 13.

Sec # 504
Washington Dept.
WAR DEPARTMENT
OCSigO, Signal Intelligence Service
/s/ R. W. Minckler,
R. W. Minckler, Lt.Col.,Signal Corps

PRIORITY - SECRET

DECEMBER 7, 1941

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FORT SHAFTER TH
PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

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REPEAT QUOTE STOP UNQUOTE SPELLED COPIES SINCE NOVEMBER
TWENTYSEVEN AND HEREAFTER

COLTON ACTING

SENT NO. 734 to Manila, 12/7
SENT NO. 530 to Hawaii, 12/7
SENT NO. 403 to Pres. of S.f. 12/7

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ATTACHMENT 2
TELEGRAM
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PRIORITY — SECRET

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

SENT NO. 504, 12/2

SIGNALS HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT FORTSHAWTER TH

JAPANESE PLAIN TEXT DIPLOMATIC TRAFFIC IN ADDITION TO CODE TEXT WILL
BE COPIED BY MONITORING STATION EFFECTIVE AT ONCE STOP ALL JAPANESE DIPLOMATIC
TRAFFIC EXCEPT THAT FORWARDED BY SYSTEM THIRTEEN WILL BE FORWARDER BY AIRMAIL

COLTON Acting