ARMY SERVICE FORCES
Signal Security Agency
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SUBJECT: Disclosure of Classified Information

TO: Chief, Training Branch
    Chief, Personnel Branch
    Chief, Officer Personnel Section

1. The information quoted below is from a letter to the Chief,
   Personnel and Training Division from the Commanding General, dated
   17 July 1945.

   "1. There has been called to my attention several
   instances in which disclosures of certain activities of
   this Agency have been made to unauthorized personnel of
   other associated agencies.

   2. Attention is invited to the fact that while the
   Signal Security Agency is affiliated with intelligence
   activities of other organizations such as G-2; Intelligence
   Branch, Office of the Chief Signal Officer; Intelligence
   Division, Army Service Forces; Naval Communications Annex;
   and allied centers, the exchange of information with these
   organizations must be limited to those personnel only who are
   fully indoctrinated and qualified to receive such information.
   The participation by members of other organizations in similar
   work does not justify free discussion of the nature and
   items of interest occurring within the Signal Security Agency
   to other personnel. Disclosure of information regarding the
   activities of this Agency will be made only on duly authorized
   occasions and to the personnel of other agencies whose work
   requires such information.

   3. A current list of the names of personnel in the
   Military Intelligence Service and other agencies of the
   War Department who are authorized to receive information
   concerning the product of this Agency is maintained in the
   Office of the Director of Intelligence, Military Intelligence
   Service. In no case will the disclosure of ULTRA information
be made to personnel of the War Department not so authorized by the Military Intelligence Service. In this connection, Major Forrest F. McCluney of the Director's office (War Department Extension 5272) may be contacted for information concerning proper authorization.

4. It is desired that the above be brought to the attention of all members of your organisation.

2. In order to comply with the wishes of the Commanding General and to impress on all personnel the seriousness of "loose talk," the contents of this letter will be disseminated to all personnel. Each unit head will place his initials on this letter as evidence that he has personally complied with paragraph 4 of the quoted correspondence.

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