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TO : Mr. Friedman
FROM: Lt Col Hume

SUBJECT: Armed Forces Security Agency Oath Form

DATE: 28 August 1952

1. In response to your request, inclosed are two each, AFSA Form 170 Revised 30 Apr 52, and one each, GAS Form No. 19 (15 May 52), and ASA debriefing form. These are the cleanest copies we have to forward.

2. It will be noted that AFSA Form 170 contains the oath, the affirmation and the separation oath on one sheet, using both sides. This form is used by the Army, Navy and Air Force as follows: upon entering, the Army uses both ASA forms and AFSA forms and the same upon separation; the Navy uses the AFSA form, one copy only; the Air Force uses two AFSA forms upon entering and requires the execution of only one separation oath. Civilian execute the AFSA oath.

RICHARD HUME
Lt Colonel, USAF
Acting Chief, Security Control Division

Inclosures - a/s
OATH

I have read and understand "Explanations and Instructions concerning the handling and use of Special Intelligence;" Army Regulation 380-5 with changes, concerning safeguarding Military Information; and Public Law 513, 81st Congress, 2nd Session, dated 13 May 1950.

I do solemnly swear and declare upon my honor that I will not discuss with or disclose to any person, regardless of his official position or status, any information relating directly or indirectly to Special Intelligence or any information derived therefrom or pertinent to the nature of its source or manner of its production unless that person is currently authorized to discuss or handle information or material of the particular category involved. I understand that the responsibility for ascertaining that such an authorization is valid and current rests with me. I understand further that when a change in my assignment or any other change in my status renders it no longer necessary for me, in the performance of my official duties, to receive Special Intelligence or to be currently aware of its existence my name will be removed from the list of persons authorized to receive this material and have this knowledge and that such removal automatically bars me from further handling of Special Intelligence or access to areas where such material is handled; and I will in all other respects comply with the above mentioned regulations.

I do hereby affirm my understanding that no change in my assignment or employment will ever relieve me of my obligation under this oath and that the provisions of this oath will remain fully as binding upon me during peacetime as they are during wartime.

I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, with full understanding of its importance to the present and future security of my country, and with realization of the criminal penalties for violation of the above mentioned law.

Sworn to before me this

_________ day of _______ 1952

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GAS Form No. 19
(15 May '52)

SECURITY INFORMATION
OATH

Upon being granted access to and knowledge of operations of the Armed Forces Security Agency, I, (as an official, employee, consultant, or as a representative of the Agency in any other capacity) (though currently employed by a corporation, company, business or commercial concern, or government agency, bureau, office or department) subscribe to this oath freely, without mental reservation, and with the full intent to exercise meticulous care in abiding by its terms.

I solemnly swear that I will not reveal to any person outside of the Armed Forces Security Agency the fact that the Agency, or any member thereof, engages in the production of communication intelligence or any phase thereof or that it engages in communication security activities, except as necessary toward the proper performance of my duties (under the restrictions and limitations of pertinent service regulations and official publications of the Agency), or as specifically authorized in each instance by a duly responsible superior known to me to be a member of the Agency.

I further solemnly swear that I will discuss matters pertaining to communication intelligence and communication security only to the extent necessary for the proper performance of my duties and only with persons actively and currently performing duties having to do with the particular matters involved or currently authorized to receive information thereof; and that I will impart to subordinates under my direct supervision only such details as may be necessary to them in the performance of their duties.

I further solemnly swear that I will report without delay to my immediate superior the details and circumstances of any case which comes within my knowledge of an unauthorized person's obtaining, or attempting to obtain, information concerning communication intelligence, communication security activities, or the classified operations of the Agency.

I further solemnly swear that, upon an absence from or severance of my connection with the Armed Forces Security Agency, I will not reveal during said absence or after said severance my connection with or knowledge of communications intelligence or communication security operations unless freed from this obligation by unmistakable and categorical official notice (except when authorized and as necessary to any future performance of duties in an assignment with an organization which collaborates with the Armed Forces Security Agency).

I fully appreciate and understand that the preservation of the security of information concerning our capabilities in communication intelligence and our measures to safeguard our own communications is of vital importance to the welfare and defense of the United States. I affirm that I am familiar with the provision of the Act of Congress of 15 June 1917 (Espionage Act) relative to the National Defense; with Public Law 513, 81st Congress, Second Session, 13 May 1950; and with the President's Memorandum dated 20 August 1945.
I do hereby affirm my understanding that no change in my assignment or employment will ever relieve me of the above obligations under this oath, and that the provisions of this oath will remain fully as binding on me during peacetime as they are during wartime.

So Help Me God

(Print Name, Grade & Serial Number)

Sworn to before me this ______________________ day of ______________________ 19

(Signature of person administering Oath)

SEPARATION OATH

I, ______________________ have reread the above oath and do hereby reaffirm that I will not hereafter reveal my previous connection with or knowledge of communications intelligence or communications security operations.

I am aware that in relinquishing an appointment under which I was eligible for access to Communications Intelligence my right to see such material has ceased. I therefore affirm that I shall never attempt to obtain access to it without proper authorization from persons in positions to grant such authority. I undertake also never to divulge any information I may have learned from Communication Intelligence sources or to disclose to any person whatsoever my knowledge of the existence of such intelligence sources.

So Help Me God

(Print Name, Grade & Serial Number)

Sworn to before me this ______________________ day of ______________________ 19

(Signature of person administering Oath)

AFSA Form 170
Revised 30 April 1952

CONFIDENTIAL
DEBRIEFING STATEMENT

I am aware that in relinquishing an appointment which has necessitated my having access to Special Intelligence my right to see such material has ceased. I therefore affirm that I shall never attempt to obtain access to it without proper authorization from the persons in a position to grant such sanction. I undertake also never to divulge any information I may have learned from Special Intelligence sources or to disclose to any person whatsoever my knowledge of the existence of such intelligence from intercept sources.

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