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MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE STATE-DEFENSE MILITARY INFORMATION CONTROL  
COMMITTEE:

Subject: Release to Turkey of Cryptographic Device.

The Turkish Ambassador has formally requested the Department's assistance in acquiring a number of automatic ciphering devices for use in communications between the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Turkish diplomatic representatives in foreign countries.

Three types of cryptographic devices are releasable to Turkey as a result of Committee authorizations: (1) a modified strip cipher system in the Turkish alphabet, classified SECRET, together with the associated device, CSP 845, (2) a British machine cipher system, Typex Mark II with Simplex settings, and (3) the Combined Cipher Machine (CCM). It will be recalled that the latter two devices were authorized for release to NATO for NATO purposes.

Since the Turkish Government is interested in acquiring the latest type of cryptographic device that can be made available to them, it is assumed that the Combined Cipher Machine may best fit this requirement.

This matter is presented for consideration at the next Committee meeting.

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