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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, DEFENSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY

SUBJECT: Coordination of COMSEC RDT&amp;E Activities (U)

1. Some years ago the National Security Agency established the practice of holding regularly scheduled meetings for the purpose of coordinating National COMSEC RDT&E activities. I invite you to participate in these meetings.

2. At present our practice is to hold nine meetings per year. These meetings are currently attended by working level personnel of those organizations in the Services directly concerned with COMSEC RDT&E matters. These meetings provide a convenient forum for the exchange of information and discussion of COMSEC RDT&E requirements and programs. The final results of these meetings are a better mutual understanding of National COMSEC RDT&E problems, and establishment of an affirmative basis for necessary COMSEC RDT&E official correspondence.

3. In view of the broad interest of DCA in COMSEC matters, participation in these meetings would be a definite advantage to both DCA and NSA. For further details on such participation you may contact Mr. M. N. Mathews, Jr., Code 188, Extension 7814.

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M/R: Coordination of COMSEC RDT&E matters between NSA and DCA arose during the Director's contract briefing on 16 Dec 1960. The Director directed that DCA be invited to participate in COMSEC Research & Engineering Committee (CREC) activities and that this invitation be available for his signature on 19 Dec 60. To keep the letter short, it is prepared in broad terms and establishes Mr. Mathews as a contact. This precludes a complex letter inclosing a CREC charter and describing CREC's activities in detail.