

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

MAIN SUBJECT  
ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT  
CRYPTO-CENTERS

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## BRIEF SUMMARY

With reference to paragraph 2a of the inclosed memorandum, the state department does not hold any CSP1700 whatsoever. In order to obtain a complete list of Department's holdings of CSP 2200 and their distribution, it would be necessary to request such information through ~~\*\*\*\*~~ formal correspondence.

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## CROSS REFERENCE NUMBERS

~~CSP 1700~~

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1. With reference to paragraph 2a of the inclosed memorandum, the State Department does not hold any CSP 1700 whatsoever. In order to obtain a complete list of State Department's holdings of CSP 2200 and their distribution, it would be necessary to request such information through formal correspondence.

2. With reference to paragraph 2b, rotors for the CSP 2200 are presently made by this Branch. Originally, inasmuch as the Navy Department supplied the CSP 2200, that Department furnished State Department with the necessary rotors. However, due to the inability of Navy Department to undertake any rotor production beyond that necessary for their own use, all requirements for rotors by the State Department are now channeled to this Agency.

3. With reference to paragraph 2c, key lists and operating instructions for the various cryptosystems employed by the State Department are made within their own Agency. The maintenance manuals being used with the CSP 2200 were furnished to them by the Navy Department.

4. With reference to paragraph 2d, it is necessary to outline briefly the organization of the Division of Cryptography of the State Department in order to understand properly the manner in which cryptosecurity and physical security are provided for at their crypto-installations.

5. The Division of Cryptography is divided into two main sections, the Operations Section and the Security Section. Operations Section is charged with the responsibility for the production, distribution and accounting of cryptomaterial used by the State Department. Security Section is charged with the responsibility for determining the adequacy and the proper handling, use and development of secure procedures in the employment of cryptomaterial by operating units. In disseminating security information, the Security Section issues a bulletin similar to the Navy CSP, incorporating pertinent security data.

6. However, completely independent of the Division of Cryptography, there is another section within the State Department known as Security Group and it is charged with all other aspects of security, such as physical security. It is their responsibility to decide whether the physical security of a building or a particular code room is adequate. They have specialists who are thoroughly familiar with what safeguards are required and this group is presently embarking on an actual tour of State Department installations in order to check on the physical security of said installations. This program is similar to that which Army Security Agency is sponsoring in its tours of both Army headquarters and Military Attache offices.

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7. Additional details concerning the above items or in connection with the State Department's maintenance policies will be obtained if desired.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF, WDGAS-82

SUBJECT: Establishment of Joint Crypto-centers

1. In connection with the planning for the establishment of Joint Crypto-centers to be used by Military Attaches, Naval Attaches and State Department personnel, a number of questions have arisen regarding the present status of State Department cryptographic holdings, production, distribution, accounting and security regulations.

2. It is requested that WDGAS-82 provide the following information to WDGAS-80:

- a. A complete list of State Department holdings of cipher machines CSP 1700 and CSP 2200.
- b. The method by which rotors for the above devices are provided.
- c. The method by which key lists and general operational and maintenance documents are provided.
- d. The regulations established by the State Department for the provision of adequate cryptosecurity and physical security for the above material.

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