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8 May '51

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Please note 11's
comment.

SUBJECT:

Find following faults in OOT's premises;

- a. Present regulations for security of COMINT inadequate. NET Sec. SECCOM found the present regs. simply adequate; the shortcoming is in the execution — there is so much junk covered by the regulations that

they ~~break~~ break down in practice.

- b. Net effect of the proposed change will be to open "some doors and windows dangerous to COMINT security". NOT SO. Intent of proposals is to open some doors and windows not really dangerous to real COMINT security.

By analogy, what has happened is that

We have found that we have built our stockade at such a great radius around the blockhouse that we haven't enough people to patrol it, and we can't see it from the blockhouse; also it encloses a lot of acreage which we don't need to protect. What we propose is to pull in the stockade so that we can keep our searchlights and machineguns trained on it, and cut down anyone who tries to get over it into the inner enclosure. Let the Indians roam around in the fields outside; even

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There's nothing that they can hunt out there — but if there is, let's bring it inside, ~~anyway~~

No copy needed. SECCOM fully aware of this point of view.

