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State, War, and Navy Cryptographic System.

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
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For the Chief Signal Officer:

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