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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL EISENHOWER

Subject: Signal Intelligence.

References: (a) My Top Secret - Ultra memo for Navy members of ANCIB, serial 0003P32, dated 4 Jan, on subject of coordination of Army-Navy Communication Intelligence activities.
(b) My Top Secret - Ultra memo, serial 0002P32, of 4 Jan 1946 (apparently not dated on original) on same subject.
(c) Your Top Secret - Ultra memo dated 2 Jan 1946 on same subject.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of reference (a).

1. Your memorandum of 16 January, which requests that I confirm your assumption that there must be a complete and free exchange between our Army and Navy of everything pertaining to Ultra intelligence, or having anything to do with any aspect of cryptographic or cryptanalytic activities, etc., has been received.

2. While I agree with you that we should accomplish the most complete integration, practicable, of signal intelligence, I would prefer that the members of ANCIB feel free to discuss all of the details without being hampered or limited in any way by any restriction imposed by me, because, frankly, I know little about many of the detailed subjects which you mentioned in your memorandum.

3. I have furnished to the Navy members of ANCIB copies of your memoranda to me, and my replies, in order that they may be fully conversant with our desires to accomplish the greatest degree of coordination and integration practicable. I have already directed them to approach the problem with open minds, and to consider that they are not bound by any restrictions which have been placed on the subject of signal intelligence (communications intelligence) by any past correspondence. I am enclosing a copy of this memorandum for your information.

C. W. Nimitz