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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Promulgation of USCIB Directive No. 16.

Reference: USCIB 13.8/31 of 17 December 1954.

1. There having been no objection during the prescribed interregnum, the enclosure with the reference plus the addition outlined below is considered approved by USCIB as of 29 December 1954.

2. The Army Security Agency should have been included in paragraph j of Section III, Annex III. The enclosure, containing this addition, should be substituted for the existing third page of Annex III of the Directive.

3. Accordingly, the enclosure with the reference, after substitution of the new page, should be appropriately labeled as USCIB Directive No. 16 and stamped with the date 29 December 1954 in the spaces provided.

4. In applying the enclosed Directive members should bear in mind that the provisions of Executive Order 10501 of 10 November 1953 also apply and that the purpose of USCIB is to provide additional specific criteria for the classification of information about COMINT as well as to provide for the segregation of classified communications intelligence information from other classified material in order to enhance the degree of control necessary for source protection.

5. Copies will be forwarded to the SUSLOs (London and Ottawa) for information and distribution to the authorities to which they are accredited.

  
RUFUS L. TAYLOR  
Captain, U. S. Navy  
Executive Secretary, USCIB

Enclosure  
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- a. COMINT indoctrination and debriefing oaths.
- b. General statements pertaining to the operational effectiveness of individual intercept and D/F stations.
- c. Intercepted traffic showing no evidence of processing for COMINT purposes beyond sorting by clear address elements, elimination of unwanted messages and the inclusion of case number and/or an arbitrary traffic designator.
- d. Reference, in general terms to radio fingerprinting and Morse operator analysis as sources of intelligence.
- e. Information about traffic intelligence relating to D/F mission assignments, bearing reports and fix reports (i.e. target frequencies, call-signs, "piped signals", other signal information, bearings and fixes), provided that no complex changing callsign systems are included.
- f. Special purpose features of and extent of effort with computers.
- g. Lists of indoctrinated and debriefed personnel.
- h. All personnel reports, civilian and/or military, which indicate authorized and/or actual agency strength in total, by organizational element, short title or symbol, by primary program element, or by function.
- i. The term "United States Communications Intelligence Board", (abbreviation "USCIB" is UNCLASSIFIED).
- j. Association of broad COMINT functions with specific activities and persons by name other than with the National Security Agency as a whole, Navy Security Group as a whole, Army Security Agency as a whole and Air Force Security Service as a whole (which may be considered UNCLASSIFIED, however such association in UNCLASSIFIED correspondence should be discouraged).