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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIBEC:

Subject: US/UK/CAN Tripartite Arrangements Concerning Intelligence.


1. The enclosure is circulated for consideration at the request of the NSA member.

2. It is requested that the attached vote sheet be executed and returned to this office by 1700, Thursday, 18 March 1954.

3. This document may be downgraded to SECRET when detached from the enclosure.

Enclosure
NSA-TP Control #54-572A,
subj. as above.
1. Reference is made to Tab "A" of TRI 53/1 OII (Final), which was produced at the Tripartite Planning Conference of March 1953, and was circulated to the members of USCIB as USCIB: 3/99.

2. During the conference, as indicated by the reference, Canada's current and anticipated requirements for Intelligence were considered and arrangements were made for furnishing the required materials. The only codeword requirements envisaged by Canada in peacetime were Summaries. In view of the limited codeword requirements, it was agreed that Canadian and U.S. Service representatives should make arrangements directly with each other for

3. On 23 December 1953, Hq, USAF, Directorate of Intelligence (a) informed this Agency that the RCAF is ready to receive such as is now available from the, and (b) suggested that the Director, NSA, make arrangements with the RCAF to furnish materials to RCAF Headquarters via the NSA/CBNRC communications link. Accordingly, arrangements have been completed for this channel to be used carrying information prepared by from the products of the Canadian requirements for codeword have expanded beyond Summaries. It therefore is considered appropriate that paragraphs 2 and 3 of the reference be amended by a single footnote as follows:

"On 1954, LSIB, CRC and USCIB recognized that Canada's peacetime requirements for Intelligence bearing codewords had increased subsequent to the Tripartite Conference of March 1953. LSIB, CRC, and USCIB therefore agreed that such codeword materials as are required by any of the three parties should be requested under the regular procedures already established for requesting all other types of COMINT codeword material. Portions of paragraphs 2 and 3 which conflict with this footnote are superseded hereby."

4. It is recommended that USCIBEC:

a. Approve the amendment proposed in paragraph 3, above.

b. Instruct the Executive Secretary to submit (upon USCIB approval of the amendment) proposals to LSIB and CRC with a view toward obtaining tripartite agreements on the amendment.