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USCIB: 7./9 Item 3 of the Agenda for the Sixteenth Meeting of USCIBEC, held on 25 June 1954.

SUBJECT: COMINT Arrangements for SACLANT. (USCIB 7./4 and 7./7)

The CHAIRMAN introduced this item by explaining that the Department of the Navy had submitted a paper on this subject recommending that it be circulated with a request that views of interested departments and agencies be forwarded to the Executive Secretary, USCIB. Views of the Director, NSA, he said, had been received and circulated. The CHAIRMAN continued by inviting the Navy member to comment on the NSA views.

CAPTAIN McCORMICK replied that he concurred with the views expressed in the NSA comment (enclosure with USCIB 7./7).

In response to the Chairman's request for further comment, MR. ZANDER pointed out that it might be worthwhile to ask the Joint Chiefs of Staff for comments.

The CHAIRMAN suggested that if USCIBEC approved the proposal, then such approval plus the recommended coordination with the JCS be included in the notification to USCIB. Any objection could then be raised, he said, during the interregnum period.

DECISION: (25 June 1954) USCIBEC agreed with the views expressed in the enclosure with USCIB 7./7 of 18 June 1954 and approved implementation of the action indicated therein subject to appropriate coordination with the Joint Chiefs of Staff by the OSD member if and as required.*

*Subsequent to the meeting it was learned that coordination with the JCS might not be either necessary or desirable. In order to leave the Department of Defense member free to act as his department might deem appropriate the words "if and as required" have been added by the Executive Secretary.

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