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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Request for USCIB Approval of Paris-Naples Courier Service for Codeword Material.

1. The enclosure is forwarded for consideration by vote sheet at the request of the A. C. of S., ~~G-2~~, Department of the Army.
2. It is requested that vote sheet replies be forwarded to the Secretariat not later than Tuesday, 17 February 1953.


H. D. JONES
Acting Executive Secretary, USCIB

Enclosure

Memo from A.C. of S., G-2 to
Acting Executive Secretary, USCIB
dated 5 Feb 53, subject as above

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

5 Feb 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, USCIB

SUBJECT: Request for USCIB Approval of Paris-Naples Courier
Service for Code Word Material

1. In connection with the forthcoming establishment of an Army SSO station at Naples to provide [redacted] service to Headquarters, Allied Forces Southern Europe (AFSE), it is considered that SACEUR should have available a direct courier route from Paris to Naples, over which he could pouch to AFSE, on a need-to-know basis, such code word material as cannot conveniently be sent by electronic means, such as basic orders of battle.

2. The most appropriate courier route for this purpose is considered to be the Department of State Paris-Naples courier pouch service. The pouch, accompanied by courier, goes via Rome to the U.S. Consulate, Naples, which is quite near the location of the proposed SSO station. There are six TOP SECRET pouch deliveries a week, and the time for each delivery is two days.

[redacted]

It is considered that security measures in effect on this route are equal to those on routes currently approved by USCIB for pouching code word material.

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4. An alternate route, which is less suitable for SHAPE but which could serve as a standby or emergency route, is the CINCNELM London-Paris (Orly Field)-Naples air courier route, with flights twice a week.

5. It is recommended that USCIB approve (1) the Department of State Paris-Naples courier pouch service for the transmission of code word material, and (2) the CINCNELM London-Paris-Naples air courier route as an alternate route for emergency use.

6. It is requested that this memorandum be distributed to USCIB members with vote sheet for approval and/or comments.

(Signed)
R. C. PARTRIDGE
Major General, GS
A. C. of S., G-2

Enclosure with USCIB 13/306 dated 9 February 1953

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