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Subject: COMINT Clearance Levels.

Reference: USCIB 5/460 of 30 July 1953.

1. Included in instructions given to the USCIB Security Committee by the Executive Secretary on 30 July 1953 was the following:

"Prepare a directive for USCIB approval with respect to levels of special intelligence clearances, i.e. administrative, planning and policy, production; consider COMINT categories III, II and I. In this connection, refer also to USCIB 13/333 dated 5 May 1953.

2. The enclosure hereto sets forth the Security Committee's recommendation with regard to the above.

3. The Executive Secretary accepts the enclosed report. No further action is considered necessary unless and until someone desires to raise this subject again.


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Executive Secretary, USCIB

Enclosure

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~~SECRET U.S. EYES ONLY~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, USCIB:

Subject: COMINT Clearance Levels.

1. The Security Committee has considered the preparation of a directive for USCIB approval with respect to levels of special intelligence clearances, i.e., administrative, planning and policy, and production type clearances. In connection with this item, the advisability of separate clearance levels for Category III, II and I COMINT was also discussed.

2. At its meeting on 6 May 1954 the unanimous decision of the Committee was to recommend that:

a. A new directive on the subject of COMINT clearance levels is not necessary at this time.

b. USCIB investigation and clearance standards as outlined in CIBD #5 (Revised), dated 13 November 1953, remain applicable to all codeword and all administrative clearances after categorization of COMINT becomes fully effective.

c. Waivers to the above standards should be held to an absolute minimum.

d. Access to any type COMINT must be limited by means of a strict "need to know" principle.

e. While USCIB Members should not be required to maintain separate clearance lists for personnel having Category III, Category II, or administrative type COMINT clearances, any member should be prepared to furnish, upon request, current information regarding the status of any individual under his jurisdiction; such information to include the type of COMINT to which the individual is authorized access.

(Signed)
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Chairman, SECCOM

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