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Subject: Determination of "Need to Know" and Assignment of Security and Distribution Responsibilities for Organizations not under the Exclusive Cognizance of a Single USCIB Member.

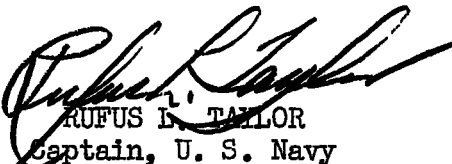
Reference: (a) USCIB 13/351 of 13 July 1953.
(b) USCIB Directive Number 5.

1. A study of reports received in answer to reference (a) above indicates that many persons have been cleared for COMINT while serving in departments and agencies or on boards, committees, councils, etc. not under the exclusive cognizance of any single USCIB member. In many instances the "need to know" of these organizations, as such, has not been certified by proper authority. Furthermore, in most cases, definite responsibility for security and distribution control has not been fixed.

2. Experience has shown that COMINT security is greatly enhanced by singleness of security and distribution responsibility. Many compromises or possible compromises might never have occurred had one single member been responsible for, and had authority to control, these two highly important functions.

3. It is therefore recommended that a determination (or redetermination) of the "need to know" of the organizations listed below be made by the authority indicated in the enclosure hereto and that responsibility and authority for COMINT security and distribution control be assigned as indicated.

4. This item will be placed on the agenda for discussion, deletions and additions as necessary at the next regular meeting of USCIBEC.


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Enclosure
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<u>Activity</u>	<u>"Need to Know" Authority</u>	<u>Security and Distribution Control</u>
Armed Forces Medical Policy Council	OSD	ARMY
Army-Navy Electronics Evaluation Group	USCIB	NAVY
*Atomic Energy Commission	USCIB	CIA
Bureau of the Budget	USCIB	NSA
CE - NSA Panel	OSD	NSA
Committee for the Liberation of the Peoples of Russia	USCIB	CIA
Department of Justice	USCIB	FBI
*Department of Treasury	USCIB	NSA
Foreign Operations Administration	USCIB	STATE
Free Territory of Trieste (U.S. Element)	USCIB	ARMY
Intelligence Advisory Committee	USCIB	CIA
Joint Advanced Study Committee	OSD	AIR FORCE
Joint Chiefs of Staff	OSD	NAVY
Joint Communications-Electronics Committee	OSD	AIR FORCE
Joint Intelligence Group	OSD	NAVY
Joint Strategic Survey Committee	OSD	AIR FORCE
National Security Council	USCIB	CIA
Office of Defense Mobilization	USCIB	CIA
Operations Coordination Board	USCIB	STATE
Project LINCOLN	USCIB	NSA
SACEUR (U.S. Element)	USCIB	ARMY
SACLANT (U.S. Element)	USCIB	NAVY
Security Coordinating Committee NATO (U.S. Element)	USCIB	NAVY

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Standing Group NATO (U.S. Element)	USCIB	NAVY
State-Defense Military Information Control Committee	USCIB	STATE
U.S. Coast Guard	USCIB	NAVY
U.S. Delegation to the Military Staff Committee, U.N.O.	OSD	ARMY
U.S. Weather Bureau	USCIB	CIA
Watch Committee (IAC)	USCIB	ARMY
Weapons System Evaluation Group	OSD	NAVY
White House	USCIB	CIA

*Security and distribution control for COMINT items connected with USCIB matters has been assigned to NSA.