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Subject: Clearance for COMINT (Vice Admiral Walter S. DeLany, USN (Retd.))

1. The enclosure is forwarded at the request of the CIA Member for a determination of the "need to know" of Vice Admiral Walter S. DeLany, USN (Retd.), Deputy Director (MDAC), Foreign Operations Administration.

2. It should be noted that USCIB 13.7/15 dated 18 May 1954, now under interregnum consideration by USCIB, lists the Foreign Operations Administration as having a "need to know" for COMINT and designates the Central Intelligence Agency as the activity responsible for security control and dissemination of COMINT supplied to the FOA.

3. It is requested that vote sheet replies be returned to this office by 8 June 1954.

4. THIS DOCUMENT AND ITS ENCLOSURE CONTAIN CLASSIFIED COMMUNICATIONS INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION AND SHALL BE HANDLED ONLY IN CHANNELS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED FOR COMINT.


RUFUS L. TAYLOR
Captain, U. S. Navy
Executive Secretary, USCIB

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary, USCIB

SUBJECT : Clearance for Access to COMINT

1. Experience over the past ten months has indicated the desirability of clearing Vice Admiral Walter S. DeLany, USN (Retd.), for access to Category III COMINT in his capacity as Deputy Director (MDAC), Foreign Operations Administration. On a number of occasions recently COMINT has proved to be essential to sound decisions on matters of policy or operations within the scope of his duties, and lack of knowledge has been a handicap. Current international negotiations of COCOM controls are being influenced to an appreciable extent by information available from COMINT.

2. In view of the above, it is believed that a determination is warranted that Admiral DeLany has a "need to know" certain COMINT information, in the event that necessary investigative procedures disclose no derogatory information which would preclude such clearance. It is requested that USCIB, in accordance with Directive No. 5, consider this matter and that I be advised as to their decision. It is anticipated that no COMINT information will be made available to Admiral DeLany for retention.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

/s/
HUNTINGTON D. SHELDON
CIA Member, USCIB

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