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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Release to the [redacted] Information  
Obtained by the [redacted]

- References: (a) USCIB 14/269 dated 15 January 1953.
- (b) USCIB 14/271 dated 4 February 1953.
- (c) USCIB 14/284 dated 13 February 1953.

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1. In reference (a), the Chairman, USCIB, was advised that the [redacted] desired to give all possible aid to the [redacted] in the war against the [redacted], and that the [redacted] in [redacted] would welcome [redacted] assistance. Accordingly, LSIB desired USCIB concurrence in release to the [redacted] of information on [redacted] traffic, it being understood that the information to be released would not include any [redacted] techniques.

2. In response to a [redacted] request for an interim statement, and to enable the Director, NSA, better to advise USCIB with regard to certain technical and security aspects of the proposal, an informal memorandum was addressed to [redacted] in which it was indicated that while there was no objection to release of [redacted] materials within already agreed limits, the LSIB proposal went beyond those limits and raised certain questions. The view was expressed that there would be some advantage in keeping within the already agreed limitations in the initial [redacted] discussions. On the basis of information developed in these discussions it might then be possible to assess the situation more accurately and make a decision accordingly.

3. In reference (b), the Director, NSA, reported that the [redacted] views had been requested on four specific points, viz:

[redacted]

b. What is degree of security the [redacted] are observing in handling and disseminating the results of their [redacted] efforts?

c. To what extent is [redacted] assistance really needed in view of the success that the [redacted] are reported to be achieving?

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d. What effect will any extension of relations on the [redacted] problem have on exchange arrangements currently in effect with respect to other problems?

4. The LSIB proposal was considered at the Eighty-second Meeting of USCIB (see reference (c)) at which time it was agreed to inform [redacted] authorities that their dealings with the [redacted] should be confined to the provisions of paragraphs 4 and 5 of Appendix "P" to the BRUSA Agreement. A subsequent decision was made to withhold such notification pending receipt and study of [redacted]'s report.

5. In response to the questions referred to in paragraph 3 above, the Director, [redacted] has supplied the following information:

a. [redacted] intent was to limit any eventual release of [redacted] information to systems which [redacted].  
Texts information furnished would not include BRUSA notations. Working arrangements designed to avoid duplication would make it quite easy to separate [redacted] results.

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b. The question of security was raised with the [redacted] by [redacted], and he was supplied with information about arrangements both in [redacted] and [redacted]. In addition to the information contained in the enclosure herewith; a more detailed description of the arrangements has been promised to the [redacted].

c. The question of [redacted] assistance to the [redacted] did not arise, "... presumably because of the degree of their success in this field."

d. The proposals related to [redacted] only, and, as the [redacted] see them, would not have any effect on other exchange arrangements.

7. In view of the foregoing there is a question as to whether any further reply to [redacted] authorities is called for at this time, in

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that it is apparent that [redacted] authorities do not anticipate a requirement, at least for the time being, to go beyond the provisions of paragraphs 4 and 5, Appendix "P", BRUSA.

8. Additional information on this subject will be provided to USCIB members when received.

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Enclosure

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