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UK-US CONFERENCE ON THE COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY OF
NATO COUNTRIES
Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Conference
held at 1530, 9 June 1953

Present

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Chairman: Mr. William F. Friedman

U.K. DelegatesMr. [redacted]
Brig. John H. TiltmanMr.
Mr.
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U.S. DelegatesMr. Victor L. Keay
Mr. Frank B. Rowlett
Mr. Robert F. Packard
Capt. Gifford Grange, USN
Col. M. L. Sherburn, USA
Lt. Col. John H. Anderson, USAF

Lt. K. B. Monypeny, Jr., USN (Secretary)

ObserversMr. F. C. Austin
Mr. F. A. Raven
Dr. H. J. StukeyMr. [redacted]
Cdr. W. L. Thomas

1. The UK delegates had not had an opportunity to read carefully the Minutes of the Plenary Session and consideration of this item was postponed. The Minutes of the First Meeting of the Conference were corrected as follows:

- (a) Delete all reference to the Executive Committee in paragraph 2.
- (b) Substitute for (a) above, the following: "Papers produced by the two subcommittees will be considered by the conference sitting as a committee of the whole."

The minutes were then approved as corrected.

2. The Chairman then placed before the delegates the Report of Subcommittee 1 (FSC 001). This report was considered paragraph by paragraph and minor editorial changes were made. A rather detailed discussion arose concerning paragraphs 9 and 11b. With respect to paragraph 9, Mr. Packard recommended that the following be added to 9(c): "We have not recommended any conclusion that the security of communications of these NATO countries is [redacted] of the NATO countries themselves." It was agreed to resubmit this paragraph to the subcommittee.

With respect to paragraph 11(b), Mr. Friedman suggested that the paragraph be changed to read as follows: "not lead to [redacted]"

over and above those already published in commercially obtainable literature or known to be within the capacity of the cryptanalytic organizations of the NATO non-BRUSA nations concerned."

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Mr. [redacted] commented that this was more restrictive than had been expected. He stated that he did not see how we could effectively work under these conditions because under no circumstances whatever could a non-cooperating NATO nation be "brought to heel" by drawing attention to the fact that its ciphers were vulnerable. Mr. Friedman replied that the US approach makes it possible to let them gain this information by inference without telling them in so many words.

Mr. [redacted] pointed out that the process of solving the problem consisted of three phases. First, the nations must be informed that their ciphers are insecure. If they should cry in effect that they don't believe it, then it would be necessary to tell them one of two things: [redacted]

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Mr. Friedman stated that in that event a second consultation would be required. He added that such disclosures would not be made without UK-US consultation.

After further discussion it was agreed to resubmit this paragraph to the subcommittee in order to arrive at a satisfactory wording consistent with the above discussion.

3. It was further agreed that the conference should meet again as a committee of the whole at 0900 on 10 June, at which time the British delegates would submit for discussion a paper on a method of approach to other nations.

4. The Chairman suggested that since the agenda of the conference had been extended to include a review of the conclusions and recommendations reached at the 1951 conference, the final report of this conference should include a statement that all conclusions and recommendations were made in the light of a review of all the conclusions and recommendations of the 1951 report. It was agreed.

In planning the future work of the conference it was agreed that Sub-committee 2 should submit its final report on Thursday, 11 June, and that the final Plenary Session should be held on Friday, 12 June.

At 1700, there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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/s/ K. B. Monypeny, Jr.
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