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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: UKUSA Conference on

1. Forwarded herewith is the report prepared by the Working Committee, appointed at the last USCIB meeting and chaired by Mr. William F. Friedman. In addition, there are enclosed two proposed basic statements of USCIB policy, submitted by the Director, NSA, for consideration in conjunction with the above report.

2. These papers are scheduled for discussion at the next regular meeting of the Board (14 May 1954).

Enclosures
1. NSA Serial 000196-S dtd 20 Apr 1954.
2. Proposed Agenda and Delegation for UKUSA Conference on COMINT Relations with

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

SUBJECT: UKUSA Conference on

1. In order to expedite the preparation of position papers for use by the U. S. Delegation to the forthcoming UKUSA Conference, it is proposed that certain basic statements of USCIB policy be enunciated.

2. Inclosed for consideration by the Members are two documents:
   a. Basis of Proposed U. S. COMINT Relations with
   b. Terms of Reference for U. S. Delegation to
      UKUSA Conference on

3. It is requested that these two papers be considered by USCIB in conjunction with the report prepared by the
   Working Committee, chaired by Mr. William F. Friedman.

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1. In order to improve the quality and quantity of COMINT available to the US, the ultimate objective of US policy is to establish COMINT collaboration with [country or government] designed to exploit exhaustively their COMINT potential. Such collaboration should be negotiated with Third Party Governments or their COMINT authorities negotiating on an official basis. Such collaboration should be conducted directly between the national COMINT organizations concerned but is not to exceed the then existing capability of each nation, and must not operate to the detriment of current US COMINT relations with other governments.

2. The arrangements which may ultimately be concluded with these countries, either individually or collectively, will probably extend beyond the limitations of paragraphs 4 and 5 of Appendix P to the UKUSA Agreement, but would not be as extensive as those provided for between the UK and US.
1. The U.S. considers that, in the event it is agreed that tripartite discussions with [insert country] are of advantage to the U.K./U.S. COMINT effort, it should be permissible to reveal to these countries the existence of the technical COMINT exchange between the U.K. and U.S.

2. U.S. COMINT collaboration with the [insert country] should be conducted directly between the national COMINT organizations concerned, but is not to exceed the then existing technical capability of each nation, and must not operate to the detriment of current U.S. COMINT relations with the U.K. and Canada.

3. The U.S. considers it desirable, in order to develop COMINT relationships with the [insert country] to provide [insert country] COMINT potential. Such collaboration should be negotiated with the [insert country] or COMINT authorities negotiating on an official basis.