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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: COMINT Relations with Third Parties [redacted]

Reference: USCIB 29.19/19 of 24 March 1955.


For the information of the members of USCIB, the Director, NSA has reported to this office that in reply (dated 10 March 1955) to the correspondence from NSA to GCHQ described in the enclosure with the reference the following information has been received:

"a. The Director, GCHQ, is grateful for the suggestion whereby the U.K. might proceed beyond the NSA-GCHQ agreed scope of training for [redacted]. However, as stated in LSIB/2/55 of 8 January 1955, the U.K. has at present no thought of proceeding in this matter beyond the limits of UKUSA Appendix P nor even of going to those permissible under paragraph 5 thereof. The GCHQ training proposals agreed upon by NSA represent the maximum that the U.K. is prepared to release at present.

"b. In view of the NSA correspondence of 1 March 1955, and of the foregoing, GCHQ does not consider that further action is needed in this matter except that NSA and GCHQ keep each other closely informed of future developments.

"c. GCHQ will expect NSA to raise the subject of releasable [redacted] at such time as the Director, NSA, considers it necessary to go beyond the limits of UKUSA Appendix P, paragraph 4, in U.S. negotiations with [redacted]. GCHQ will raise the subject if the U.K. wishes to go beyond the limits indicated in subparagraph (a), above.

"d. Although the Director, NSA, indicated that he might receive [redacted] from GCHQ, it is not part of present GCHQ arrangements with [redacted] that GCHQ shall receive any COMINT materials from them. Training will not be conducted on live tasks from which GCHQ expects to obtain [redacted] for subsequent processing. NSA will, however, be advised of GCHQ assessment of [redacted] potential insofar as GCHQ can judge it from the training operation or from any other evidence that may become available to GCHQ."


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