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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. W. D. WRIGHT, STATE

MR. S. D. ELLIS, FBI
COL. G. P. SAMPSON, DCE

1. Inasmuch as it is not possible to hold a meeting in the immediate future to discuss certain proposed modifications to the 7 July draft of the proposed COMSEC directive, I am inclosing herewith NSA proposals for your information and study.

2. These are not the substantive proposals which require top-level decisions but are considered to be within the scope of the original drafting committee for resolution.

3. It is hoped that an early meeting can be arranged to consider these proposals.

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Under policies promulgated by the board and subject to the exception granted the Director, Central Intelligence Agency Under NSCIB No. 5, conduct and coordinate the conduct of liaison on technical COMSEC and related matters with the cryptologic agencies of foreign nations and international organizations.

2c(l)(e)

In consonance with the policies of the Board provide technical guidance and support for cryptosecurity training conducted by the departments and agencies;

2c(l)(f)

In meeting operational requirements the Director of NSA will insure the compatibility and, insofar as practicable, the standardization of cryptoequipments and material in order to promote maximum efficiency and economy in their procurement, operation and maintenance. Determination of the acceptability of the physical embodiments of crypto-principles is a function of the various departments and agencies;

2c(l)(g)

The Director of NSA will furnish services and materials for the COMSEC programs of the departments and agencies on a fiscal arrangement as mutually agreed with the departments and agencies.

2c(l)(j)

The Director, NSA is responsible for insuring adequate capacity for and providing technical criteria for producing cryptomaterial to meet legitimate requirements. Nothing in this directive shall be construed as precluding the Director, NSA from producing, printing, procuring, and modifying cryptomaterials to meet the requirements of the departments and agencies or from budgeting for the conduct of his activities.

2c(3)

Subject to review by the Board in the event of disagreement, the Director of NSA will, in collaboration with the departments and agencies, as appropriate, formulate minimum standards for physical security of cryptosystems and related cryptomaterial.