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TO : Chairman, Classification Advisory Panel
FROM : Chief, Cryptologic Branch, Tng Div
SUBJECT: Security Classification and Disposition of Empty Tape Reels

DATE: 27 April 1953

Reference your memorandum dated 27 April 1953, same subject, I concur in the proposal to emboss on the reels the words "UNCLASSIFIED WHEN EMPTY," to facilitate their disposal as waste matter.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of Classification Advisory Panel

SUBJECT: Security Classification and Disposition of Empty Tape Reels

1. The Chief, Office of Communications Security has referred to me as Chairman, Classification Advisory Panel (See NSA Memo No. 10-61 of 17 April 1953) the question of the security classification and disposition of reels from which key tape classified SECRET has been removed, leaving no classified material whatever on the reels.

2. The Chief, C/SEC and I agree that there appear to be no security considerations against disposing of the empty reels as unclassified material (it being uneconomical to have them returned to NSA) and it is proposed to have the words "UNCLASSIFIED WHEN EMPTY" embossed on the reels, so that the latter can be discarded as waste matter.

3. Your concurrence is requested in the proposed solution. It is also requested that this be handled as a matter of priority.

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ACTED ON 4 MAY 1952

AG. A concurrence record 28 April

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