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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

21 August 1953

SUBJECT: Service Representation at 1953 UK/US COMSEC Conference

1. In an informal conversation with Mr. Dave Wolfand, ASA, on Friday afternoon, concerning J.C.S. 2074/28 (1953 UK/US COMSEC Conference), I learned that the Services intend to recommend to the Joint Chiefs of Staff the designation of more than one Service representative to the Conference. The following tabulation represents the current score on members and observers the Services expect to send to London:

| Phases | Prel. | I | II |
|--------|-------|---|--------------------------------------|
| A | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| N | 3 | 3 | 3 (may later be increased to 4 or 5) |
| AF | 0 | 1 | 2 |

2. In an earlier discussion with Captain Frost on the matter of Service observers at the Conference, he indicated there would be no objection to observers with the Services, of course, paying their expenses.

3. While talking to Wolfand I stated that NSA planned to send 9 people, including the Head of the Delegation and that most of these would return after the preliminary discussions. I stated that I believed the Director would have no objection to observers, provided there was not an excessive number. I also told him the Director wished to keep the U.S. party as small as possible.

4. I understand that the UK does not expect to have Service members or observers present at the preliminary discussions.

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