26 March 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: French Communications Security.

Pursuant to USCIB decision at the 61st Meeting the attached letter has been forwarded to the Chairman, LSIB by the Chairman, USCIB,

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H. D. JONES
J. W. PEARSON
Secretary, USCIB.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, LSIB

Reference is made to your letter of 12 December 1950 and the reply thereto from USCIB dated 19 January 1951.

As was indicated in that reply, USCIB believes that steps towards the improvement of French communications security cannot be considered fully without consideration of other French security matters, including French internal security and the steps proposed to effect an improvement therein. USCIB further believes that the bases for a successful approach to the French Government with regard to the insecurity of their communications have not yet been established.

It is hoped that the forthcoming USCIB-LSIB conference will reach agreement, subject to the approval of our respective Governments, on the question whether an effective approach to the French can be undertaken now.

For these reasons USCIB suggests that the agenda for the forthcoming conference, include the following subjects:

1. The nature and scope of the insecurity of French communications, including both their diplomatic and military communications.

2. The nature and scope of present French internal insecurity.

3. The most effective technical assistance which can be given to the French.

4. The development of a specific plan for improvement of French communications insecurity.

5. The basis for a successful approach to the French Government.

USCIB nominates the following delegation, which includes representatives competent to discuss all aspects of these subjects.
Rear Admiral Earl E. Stone, USN
Colonel Samuel P. Collins, USA
Mr. William F. Friedman, AFSA
Colonel Gordon E. Dawson, USA
Mr. Winston Scott, CIA
Mr. Robert F. Packard, Department of State

Sincerely yours,

/s/ W. Park Armstrong, Jr.

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Chairman
United States Communications Intelligence Board