MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Amendments to Papers of Combined Working Group for Allied Communications Security.

1. The changes described below were agreed upon at the meeting of the CWG on 25 November 1953, subject to final British approval. The affected documents will not be distributed in amended form until that approval is received.

2. The Draft Aide Memoire is to be changed as follows:

(a) In paragraph 1 delete "security" from the first sentence and from the final clause of the last sentence.

(b) In paragraph 2 replace the first sentence with the following:

"The problem is twofold, involving not only the security of ciphers but also the security of transmission practices."

(c) In paragraph 3 insert between the first and last sentences the following:

"The UK and US Governments are conscious of a number of weaknesses in their own national communications practices. The French Government may also have noted similar weaknesses in their own practices.

3. Paragraph 1(c) of the memorandum on the common sections of the Ambassadors' briefs should be re-written as follows:

Revelation within the limits set forth in the conference report (See para (a) above) will be reserved for the technical discussions themselves."

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