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HISTORY OF PROBLEM

1. In an 8 December 1951 message to his _______ former Prime Minister, in Paris for the General Assembly meetings, reopened the question of ensuring _______ communication security. He recalled that the "Allies", several months previously, had informed the [ ] would receive confidential information when she became a member of NATO and that the insecurity of the [ ] might lead to leaks of this information and endanger the Allied cryptographic system.

2. [Blank]

3. On 27 September 1951 the [ ] requested that OBO representatives advise them regarding the practicability and security of coding and decoding machines. This request was forwarded from CIA to AFSA. (TAB 1)

4. On 20 February 1952, the letter from CIA containing the above was forwarded from the Office of Operations to AFSA consultant. (TAB 2)

5. [Blank] dated in the months of June and July indicate that the [ ] had entered into negotiations with a firm in [ ] for the purchase of cryptographic machines.