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Number each action	То—	Memorandum	Name, Division or Branch, and Date
1	Mr. Friedman	Attached hereto is a copy of the letter which is substantially the same as the one used by Col. Wozencraft to introduce Army supervision into the several governmental agencies. No copies of this letter were left with any of the government agencies. The matter was handled entirely on a informal basis. No copies of the original letter are on file in this office.	
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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF Washington, D. C.

The Honorable Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secfetary:

The ease with which codes and ciphers of the non-military agencies of our enemies are being broken by our experts has raised the question in the minds of the Joint Chiefs of Staff as to the security of codes and ciphers used by similar agencies of our Government. The ability of our cryptanalysis experts to decode enemy messages has been our most valuable source of information. The Chiefs of Staff wish that you be informed of this, as a matter of great secrecy, in order to emphasize the importance of security in these matters. They feel that we must credit the enemy with having its experts who are just as capable as ours in cryptanalysis work. They are deeply concerned over the hazards to which our ships and troops may be exposed through the use of ineffective codes by various Governmental agencies.

The Joint Communications Board, an agency of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has at its disposal the best cryptographic experts in the United States. The services of these experts can be made available to the State Department to analyze its codes and ciphers from the standpoint of security and to suggest methods for their improvement. It is hoped that you will make use of the services of these experts. This can be accomplished by communicating with the Secretary of the Joint Chiefs of Staff who will

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make the necessary arrangements.

Sincerely yours,

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

JOHN R. DEANE,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Secretary.

SIMILAR LETTERS TO ALL OTHER NON-MILITARY AGENCIES WHICH USE CODES AND CIPHERS IN THEIR COMMUNICATIONS.