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UKUSA [redacted] Conference, April 1955

I have now considered the report (AAC/55/4 and Appendices dated 21st April, 1955) rendered to us jointly by the U.S. and U.K. delegations to the UKUSA Conference on the [redacted] problem which was held at G.C.H.Q. from the 18th to 22nd April, 1955; and I have taken the views of [redacted] which as you know was represented by observers at the Conference.

2. I am glad to be able to inform you of my agreement to and ratification of the Conference report and its incorporated recommendations. In particular I have approved the specific conclusions and recommendations contained in the summaries to Appendices B and C of AAC/55/4, and have directed that a table of action be drawn up, on the basis of which G.C.H.Q. in consultation as necessary [redacted] will take the initiative on those items requiring implementation by the U.K. As the recommendations concern the day-to-day direction of production matters rather than future planning, I am making the heads of the G.C.H.Q. production divisions [redacted] [redacted] respectively) responsible for ensuring that the requisite implementing action is being taken.

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3. I confirm that in my opinion paragraph 4 of AAC/55/4 correctly states the position, namely that the Conference recommendations contain nothing which is contrary to the UKUSA Agreement.

4. I should like to add my appreciation of the part played by the U.S. delegation in this Conference and in particular of Mr. Connelly's work in leading them. I am quoting the words of the leader of the U.K. delegation, [redacted] when I say that, though the Conference may have produced no major new or startling developments, it nonetheless gave the opportunity for a most useful exchange of views, confirmed that for both parties the present co-operation [redacted] is on the right lines, produced agreement on a number of technical matters, and refreshed the friendliness and sympathy of the two parties for each other's problems. This, I feel, was a worthwhile attainment and I am grateful for the U.S. part in achieving it.

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