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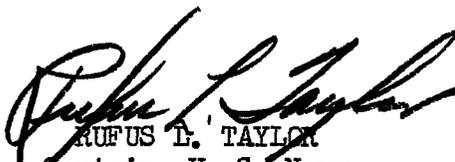
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIBEC:

Subject: Master Requirements List.
Reference: USCIB 9.3/30 of 4 March 1955.

The enclosure is circulated for consideration in connection with item 3 of the agenda of the 27th Meeting of USCIBEC.


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Enclosure
VIEWS OF THE DIR, NSA
ON THE MRL

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~~SECRET~~VIEWS OF THE DIRECTOR, NSA, ON THE MRL

The Director, NSA, has studied with interest the Tab "B" submitted by the OSD member of USCIBEC. He finds that he can accept it in principle and considers that this version of Tab "B" offers a basis for compromise and eventual acceptance by all members. Therefore, he has authorized the NSA member on USCIBEC to withdraw the NSA proposed Tab "B." To assist the committee in reaching a mutually acceptable version of Tab "B," the following comments are offered:

It is the present intention of the Director to establish a senior Priorities Advisory Group within the Production element of NSA. Each USCIB member department or agency would be invited to designate a representative member on this group. This Advisory Group would be primarily for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of paragraph 2h of NSCID No. 9. The Group would meet once a month or as often as the situation requires and would consider those matters that affect the final planning of intercept and processing priorities. Information on results of all direct liaison and departmental discussions would be freely available to it. Direct exchanges of ideas and discussion of problems of unique interest to a single department or agency would take place between NSA and the representative of that department or agency in this group, but the results would be freely available to the group as a whole.

It is hoped that knowledge of the Director's present thinking on this problem will assist USCIBEC in establishing a mechanism for supplemental guidance. The Director believes that since the problems of supplemental guidance and final planning eventually come together, he could have no objection to having the same people take care of both problems.

It should be understood, of course, that this concept emerges from the Director's thinking at this time and is predicated on the assumption that effective guidance will be forthcoming from USCIB.