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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Review of USCIB Directives.

Reference: USCIB 4.2/22 of 22 July 1954.

1. Vote sheet responses to the reference are all in approval of the SECCOM report enclosed therewith.

2. In addition, comments from members on compliance with USCIB Directive Number 4 indicate:

a. No one is having any serious difficulty in attempting to comply.

b. All members feel they are complying.

c. Several members expressed the view that categorization would facilitate compliance.

d. None thought categorization would be a hindrance in complying with CIBD #4.

3. The following extracts from some of the comments received may be of interest:

NSA

"It should be noted that the COMINT decentralization program necessitates the distribution of a large volume of technical data to Service processing units in the field. This increase in the distribution of technical data, is however, vital to the successful accomplishment of the COMINT mission of the Director. Further, it is felt that the categorization of COMINT material will provide an additional means of controlling distribution to field COMINT units according to the 'need to know' principle.

"In consideration of USCIB Directive No. 4, it is a matter of utmost concern to the Director that the US intelligence agencies are continuing to levy requirements on NSA for large numbers of all COMINT items produced by NSA, US field units, and foreign COMINT centers. As many as 48 copies of a single COMINT item are distributed automatically by NSA to the USCIB intelligence agencies on the basis of standard distribution lists made up according to the stated requirements of these agencies."

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"When categories of COMINT are put in effect, the Army does not plan to make Category III COMINT available to staffs below the level of Army Headquarters and Category II COMINT to staffs below the level of Army Corps Headquarters."

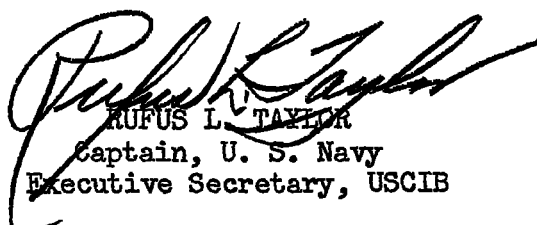
NAVY

"It is considered that the procedures presently in effect constitute full compliance with the provisions of USCIB Directive #4 and that no additional steps will be required because of categorization, which it is expected will aid in administration of compartmentation. Early implementation of categorization is highly desirable to achieve this end."

STATE

"Clearance and indoctrination of a person to receive COMINT is not regarded as entitling that person to receive COMINT from all fields and tasks."

4. THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS COMMUNICATIONS INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION AND SHALL BE HANDLED ONLY IN CHANNELS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED FOR COMINT.


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