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USCIB: 29./8 Item 3 of the Agenda for the 21st Meeting of USCIBEC,
held on 22 October 1954.

Subject: Procedure for Handling Intercept Base Rights Problems.

THE CHAIRMAN recalled that he had submitted a paper on this problem (USCIB 29./3), and added that the Defense member has come up more recently with recommendations (USCIB 29./6) which appear to provide a reasonable solution to the problem. He asked if there were any objections to adoption of the Defense paper.

In the ensuing discussion the members considered the Defense proposal and agreed that it should be amended as follows:

1. Change paragraph 1B(1) to read as follows:

"USCIB, as the National Policy Board for COMINT, is concerned, among other things, with:"

2. Paragraph 1B(1)(a); line 2: delete "where" and substitute "since".
3. Paragraph 1B(1): insert new subparagraph (d), as follows:

"(d) Insuring that information about COMINT activities is handled in COMINT channels in accordance with existing USCIB policy."

4. Change paragraph 1B(5) to read as follows:

"(5) The Secretary of Defense, as the Executive Agent of the Government for COMINT production, is responsible for review or approval of the initial requirements and for assuring (a) the inclusion, where a defense installation is involved, of COMINT requirements in the summaries prepared by JCS, and (b) the necessary coordination among the member agencies involved in the development and implementation of the requirement."

Following agreement on the above changes the members discussed the composition of the Ad Hoc Committee.

In that members representing CIA, Army, and Navy desired membership on this Committee it was agreed to broaden the representation as originally recommended by the Defense member (viz, State, NSA, and Air

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Force). The composition of the Ad Hoc Committee as ultimately agreed is as follows:

NSA	-	Mr. Madison E. Mitchell, Chairman	OGA
ARMY	-	Mr. Richard Battey	
NAVY	-	Commander W. L. Thomas	
AIR FORCE	-	Major J. Craig Teller	
STATE	-	Mr. R. F. Packard or Mr. R. G. Walker	
CIA	-		

It was agreed, further, that the Committee report should be prepared for consideration at the next regular meeting of USCIBEC.

DECISION: (22 October 1954) USCIBEC approved the recommendations contained in USCIB 29./6, subject to the amendments indicated in the foregoing discussion. It was agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee report should be prepared in time for consideration at the next regular meeting of USCIBEC.

This item to be continued on the agenda.

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