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1. AS-70 AS-24 23 Aug 48 Storage and Destruction of SIGSALT and Associated Equipment
ATTN: Mr. Stauffer Major Whitehead/216

1. Reference is made to:

a. Memorandum Routing Slip from AS-71 written by Mr. Stauffer, dated 4 August 1948.

b. IOM from AS-20 to AS-24, 70, 62, and 24, Subject: Storage and Destruction of SIGSALT and Associated Equipments, dated 12 August 1948.

c. Disposition Form from Director of Intelligence to the Chief Signal Officer, subject: Storage and Destruction of SIGSALT and Associated Equipments, dated 6 July 1948 with Comment Number 2 attached.

2. It is desired that prior to disposal and/or destruction of SIGSALT components as outlined in reference b, the interpretation of the SIGSALT contracts as contained in reference a be amplified to ascertain the responsibilities of the Department of the Army for the return of equipments not government owned, and if relief of liability in the case of destruction can be considered to apply specifically to planned destruction by a government agency.

3 Incls.
As listed above

PAUL E. HENT
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REMARKS

After a thorough consideration of twenty-one (21) SIGSALY contracts, the files of some of which are fragmentary, it can be said with a rather high degree of certainty that all of the SIGSALY equipment is Government-owned, with the exception of nine (9) recorders, #1-A (cutting heads), and nine (9) amplifiers, #115-A. The serial numbers cannot be ascertained from the files, but, probably are between L-100 and L-110. Only two (2) contracts, W44-114-sc-31 and W3434-sc-637, relate to leased equipment. Both contracts contain clauses relieving the Government of any liability for destruction of equipment and merely require that any undestroyed equipment be returned by 1954.

FROM NAME OR TITLE	/s/ STAUFFER	DATE	4 Aug 1948
	Henry B. Stauffer, AS-71	TELEPHONE	227
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	Patents Section		

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ASO FORM
1 OCT 47Replaces WTI AGO Form 895, 1 Jun 46,
which may be used.

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A copy is attached of the results already obtained by Mr Stauffer.

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Storage and Destruction of SIGSALY
and Associated Equipments
Dr. Sinkov Ext 241

1. Reference is made to:

a. Disposition form from the Director of Intelligence to the Chief Signal Officer, 6 July 1948, subject as above.

b. Disposition form from the Chief Signal Officer to the Director of Intelligence, 21 July 1948, file SIGAS-4-1, subject as above.

2. The effect of the above-mentioned correspondence is to rescind the previous agreement with the Signal Corps in connection with SIGSALY equipment, and to replace the agreement by that suggested in paragraph 1a. It is desired at this time to outline briefly the procedure to be followed in carrying out the recommended disposition of SIGSALY.

3. The first step in the procedure is the deregistration of all nine terminals now stored in the Fourth Wing Basement of Operations "B" Building. This action is the responsibility of Security Division and can be readily accomplished.

4. Concurrently, it will be necessary to examine in detail the legal aspects of the contracts with the Bell Telephone Laboratories. This will require a search into the patent aspects as well as a consideration of any leased items involved in the SIGSALY equipment. AS-70 has indicated that Mr. Henry B. Stauffer of the Patents Section will be able to undertake this responsibility and that he will confer with Signal Corps authorities as well as representatives of the Bell Telephone Laboratories.

5. The destruction and salvage of the terminals now stored in "B" Building will be carried out by personnel assigned to AS-70. AS-70 has indicated that personnel, who are awaiting clearance, are available and can be assigned to the task of dismantling and salvaging the equipment. These personnel are employed in the cafeteria basement. The SIGSALY material, from which all classified components will be removed, can be carried over a little at a time for dismantling and will be divided into the following separate categories:

a. Expendable items, which are of use to AS-70, and which can be added to AS-70 supply for future use.

b. Nonexpendable property which will be assigned to one or another of the branches of AS-70 and for which Property Issue and Turn-In slips will be prepared and sent to AS-62. These items will be listed by complete nomenclature,

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description, unit and quantity on a Turn-In slip and submitted to AS-62. These slips will include the statement "Found on Post. Items removed from a previously registered classified device."

c. Unserviceable components which will be reduced to scrap.

d. Serviceable items, but of no possible use to the Army Security Agency. These items will be listed by complete nomenclature, description, unit and quantity on a Turn-In slip and submitted to AS-62. These slips will include the statement "Found on Post. Items removed from a previously registered classified device."

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Chief, Security Division

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