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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, U. S. COMMUNICATIONS SECURITY BOARD

SUBJECT: Utilization of Contract Personnel in Government COMSEC Operations (U)

1. It is requested that the inclosed memorandum be circulated

to the members of USCSB for vote sheet action.

2. This correspondence may be declassified upon removal of

the inclosure.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

ROBERT P. HALLORAN Colonel USAF Director, Operational Services

Incl: Memo for the Members, USC8B, subject as above (35 cys)

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M/R: There is a growing trend within the government toward use of commercial contract personnel for installation, maintenance, and operation of COMSEC equipment, at government establishments, as well as for conducting training for such duties. Such personnel are not subject to the same operational and jurisdictional controls that exist within the government service. More important is the fact that such personnel, solely because of their contract work, will necessarily have access to much classified government information which is not related to the contract. Therefore, it is considered that specific conditions must be stated under which contract personnel may be used to perform COMSEC operations, and that national policy should be formulated. A proposed policy was forwarded to the services with NSA Serial N 1180, subject as above, dtd 24 Mar 60, and has been informally coordinated with the Office of ASD/MP&R. Army and Air Force concurred in the proposal as drafted. Navy and MP&R recommended certain relatively minor changes. The inclosed policy statement, reflecting these recommendations, is being forwarded to the USCSB for approval as national policy. Early consideration of this matter by USCSB is required because of its close relationship to COMSEC 13-/1 and 13-/2 which are now being considered by the Board. This revision has been coordinated with Mr. Fralley, CSEC-04, and discussed with Mr. Price, OPS.

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Added M/R: Rewritten in OPS in coordination with CSEC (Mr. Ingalls).

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