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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: COMINT Planning Conference Agenda.

1. The Coordinator's original proposal to the Director, GCHQ, (22 July 1952) was that US and UK representatives hold discussions on a number of important problems in Washington this fall. The Director, GCHQ, replied that local circumstances would prevent UK participation in a general conference prior to the first of the year. He expressed a willingness, however, to deal with any specific problem requiring immediate attention, whereupon the coming November conference on COMINT Arrangements for SACLANT was scheduled.

2. There remain a number of important matters pertaining to combined COMINT policy and procedure which require consideration, and it is planned to discuss these subjects at a Planning Conference to be held in Washington at the earliest practicable date in 1953.

3. The inclosure contains a list of proposed agenda items for such a conference. It is requested that this list be examined by all members with a view to recommending approval, additions, deletions, or other changes.

4. It is further requested that interested member organizations nominate representatives to the US delegation for this conference. In line with the procedure employed in the past, it is planned to have the US conference delegation meet in the near future to begin the preparation of basic US views on the matters to be considered. All members are urged to select the minimum number of conference delegates required to support their interests, each of whom should be qualified to the greatest possible extent to participate in the consideration of the subjects for discussion.

5. Replies are requested at your early convenience, and in no event later than 5 November 1952.



J. N. WENGER
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Deputy USCIB Coordinator

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- 2. DGC/2680 dtd 10 Jul 52.

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ARMED FORCES SECURITY AGENCY
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE USCIB COORDINATOR

SUBJECT: COMINT Planning Conference Agenda

1. The following is a revised proposed agenda for the COMINT Planning Conference scheduled for January 1953, for your approval.

a. Discussion and approval of Revised Appendix B (Principles of Security and Dissemination) and Annexure thereto.

b. Review of Appendix D, Annexure D1



c. Review of Appendix H (Communications) to:

(1) Incorporate recommendations resulting from the October, 1952 US/UK/CAN Communications discussions.

(2) Revise Appendix to bring up to date.

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f. Amendments or Additions to Appendix P (COMINT Relations with Third Parties Affecting BRUSA Relations) to consider:

- (1) COMINT arrangements with Third Parties outside the framework of Allied commands:
 - (a) Security handling, classification, etc., of COMINT end-products provided by Third Parties.

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- (c) Resolution of definition of term "releasable" equipment.
- (2) COMINT arrangements with Third Parties within the framework of Allied commands:
 - (a) Principles for dealing with COMINT end-products introduced into Allied intelligence channels by Third Parties.
 - (b) COMINT arrangements for SHAPE.
 - (c) COMINT arrangements for SACLANT.
 - (d) Specific arrangements for direct exchange between SACLANT and SACEUR.

g. Revision of Appendix Q (Organization of U.S. and British Communication Intelligence Collaboration in War) to consider specific plans and implementation of the principles contained in Appendix Q:

- (1) U. S. augmentation of GCHQ.
- (2) Types of processing and problems, personnel and equipment requirements; task allocations.
- (3) Plans for evacuation of GCHQ, and/or integration of British personnel into AFSA.
- (4) Plans for collaboration with other British Commonwealth Countries.
- (5) Establishment of overseas National COMINT centers.

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(6) Collaboration among US/UK Service COMINT units in theater operations.

h. COMINT collaboration and exchange between AFSA

i. Consideration of principles to govern location of COMINT activities in critical areas during peacetime:

(1) Security considerations.

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(2) Conservation of resources.

(3) Value of unique targets.

2. It is anticipated that AFSA views on the agenda items proposed above will be prepared prior to 10 November 1952. As of that date, discussions can be held under USCIB auspices to resolve preliminary U.S. views which can be forwarded to the Director, GCHQ, as requested in SUSLO dispatch LW 150, 021043Z August.

FOR THE DIRECTOR

/s/ J. N. Wenger
J. N. WENGER

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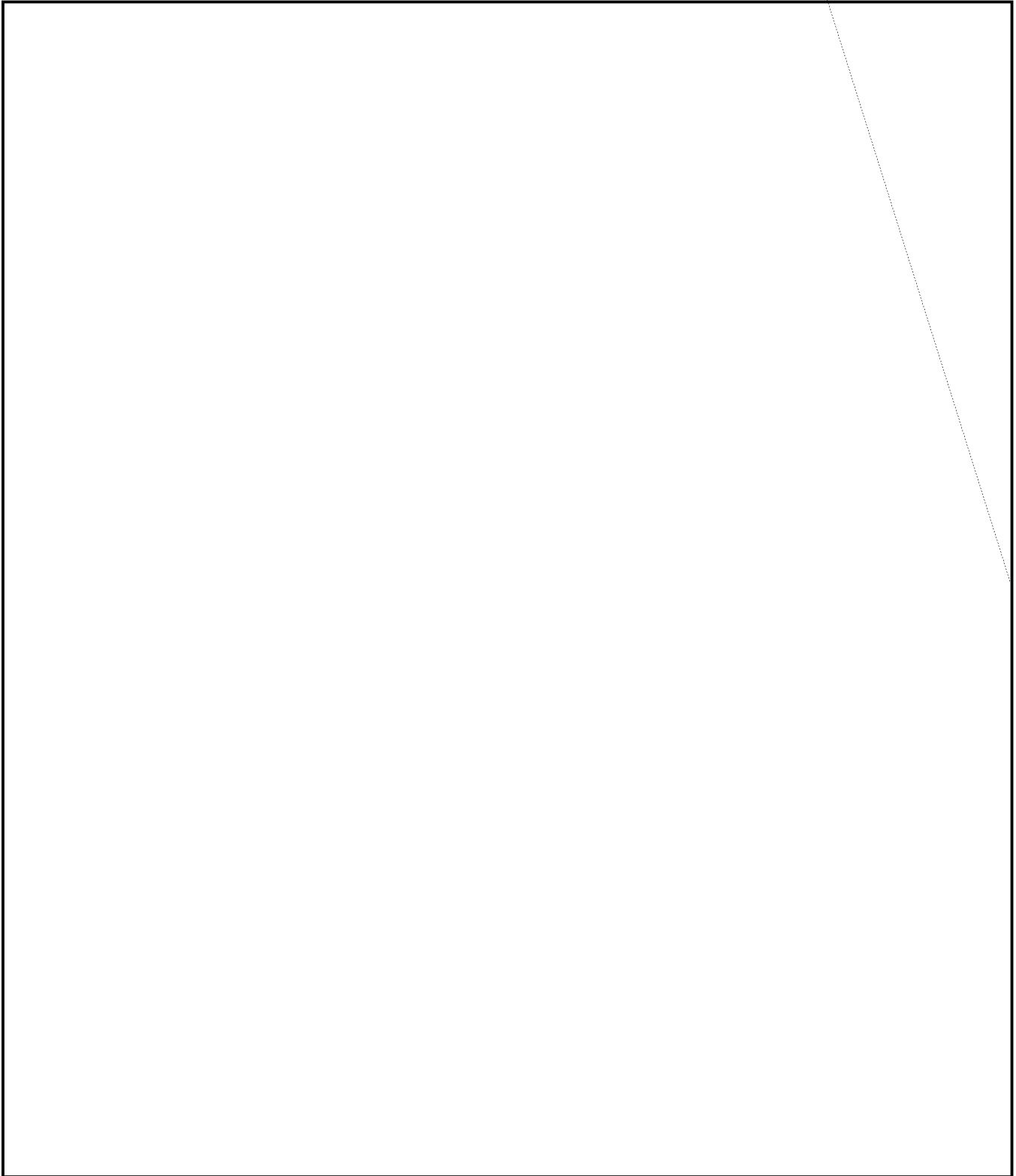
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