

MEMORANDUM

18 May 1948

SUBJECT: Communication Facilities Plan.

The preparation of this plan will be initiated immediately and will be sub-divided into four projects.

Project 81-20-48 entitled Communication Facilities Plan; teletype equipment, will be assigned to Mr. Smith.

Project 81-21-48 entitled Communication Facilities Plan; radio equipment, will be assigned to Mr. Wolfand.

Project 81-22-48 entitled Communication Facilities Plan; wire facilities and telephone equipment, will be assigned to Captain Luce.

Project 81-23-48 entitled Communication Facilities Plan; facsimile and television equipment, will be assigned to Mr. Scott.

The preparation of this plan will be accomplished in three sections -

Section 1 - equipment in use

characteristics how used by whom advantages disadvantages

Section 2 - equipment under development

characteristics by whom history of development ~ MC's Technical Committee action specifications

Section 3 - future trends

Review of the first two sections with indicated communication plans for each service as developed in these first two sections. Full development of future trends.

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This plan will be prepared in chart form wherever practical. Each section shall be layed out in the same manner for each four projects. Coerdination as to details of layout will be coordinated at a later date.

The following subjects will have to be investigated under Project 81-20-48:

> Teletypewriters Perforators Reperforators Typing reperforators Transmitting distributors Diplex IBM printers McElroy printers Test equipment Teletype analyzers Multiplex Time Division Electronic Carrier Teletype only Switchboard Repeaters

The following organizations should be contacted concerning this project:

Teletype Corporation Klienschmidt Lorenz (IBM) Signal Corps (McElrey) Air Force Navy Associated Press

Under project 81-21-48 the following firms should be contacted:

Aeronautical, Inc. RCA A T & T Western Union Signal Corps Navy Air Force

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In addition to radio equipment, infrared and visual light transmitting and receiving equipment should be investigated.

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Under project 81-22-48 the following items should be investigated:

Telephones Switchboards Repeaters Carrier equipment Open wire Field wire Field cable Coaxial cable Wave guides Cable Lead covered Armored Submarine Rubber covered Loading coils Pads Attenuators Filters Hybrid coils

Information should be secured from the following organizations:

Western Union A T & T Signal Corps

Under project 81-23-48 the following firms should be contacted:

RCA Philce Signal Corps Air Force Navy

It is requested that each engineer discuss separately with me the information available and the method of attack on this problem.

It will be necessary to devote at least one day out of each week toward the preparation of this plan. It is preferable that more time be devoted but one day each week is mandatory. The project reports on these projects must be prepared in detail.

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