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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Expansion of COMINT Facilities at Hong Kong.

Reference: USCIB 9.2/13, dated 18 November 1954.

1. Following USCIB consideration of the above subject in connection with the Chinese Communist problem, the reference was sent to U.K. authorities, informing them, among other things, of USCIB's decision that "the feasibility of expanding COMINT facilities at Hong Kong, and such other actions as he may deem appropriate, should be discussed with British authorities by the Director, NSA".

2. The enclosed memorandum, which indicates the course of action being pursued by the U.K. in this matter, is forwarded for information in connection with the CHICOM discussion scheduled for the 111th Meeting of USCIB.

Captain, U. S. Navy Executive Secretary, USCIB

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, USCIB

SUBJECT: Expansion of COMINT Facilities at Hong Kong

1. Reference is made to CIB # 000303 of 15 November 1954.

2. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the reference, discussions with the Director, GCHQ, on the topic of expanding COMINT facilities at Hong Kong were initiated by the Director, NSA, when he visited GCHQ last November.

3. In a message from SUSLO, London, to the Director, NSA, dated 3 January 1955, reference was made to the approaches made by the U.S. to the U.K. on this subject, and it was stated that (a) the Director, GCHQ, has informed the Deputy SUSLO, London, that the former is pressing for action on the USCIB request for expansion of Hong Kong facilities, (b) the Director, GCHQ, has had encouraging responses and hopes to obtain substantial improvement but not all of the increases we desire, and (c) SUSLO, London, will keep the Director, NSA, advised.

4. The foregoing is for your information, and whatever action you consider necessary.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

(SIGNED) D. M. AGNEW Captain, US Navy Deputy Chief of Staff

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