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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF AFSAC:

Subject: Disposal of Surplus Crypto-equipment.

1. At the end of hostilities in World War II, for security reasons, the U.S. Army adopted the policy and steps were taken to prevent the disposal in the civilian surplus market of cryptoequipment designated as Converter M-209 ().

2. In disposing of unserviceable machines the U.S. Army required storage depots to demilitarize them by removing and destroying certain parts, as indicated in the inclosure.

3. The U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force also have stocks of Converter k=209 (), but it seems that no policy similar to that of the U.S. Army has been adopted by those two Services.

4. It would be advisable that within the Department of Defense there be a uniform policy in this matter.

5. Subject to U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force concurrence in paragraph 4, above, it is suggested that action be initiated within those Services to promulgate a similar policy with respect to the disposal of surplus M-209 equipment.

6. If such action is contemplated or initiated, it is requested that the Director, AFSA, be so notified.

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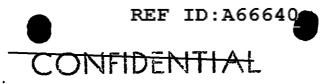
J. N. MENGENO Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy Acting Director, Arned Forces Security Agency

Inclosure 1 Copy of Kemo from Deputy Chief, ASA, to CSO dated 23 December 1946.

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Demilitarization of Converter M-209

Chief Signal Officer Director of Intelligence 23 December 46 COMMENT NO. 1 Capt Utter/8129 Ext 216

1. Reference is made to letter from the Chief Signal Officer, dated 16 December 1946, subject as above.

2. In order to properly demilitarize the Converter M209 to permit its disposal, it is necessary that the following listed parts be removed and destroyed:

a. Typswheel assembly, Stock Number 6E1009A/T8

b. The 6 key wheel, Stock Numbers 6E1009A/K1, 6E1099A/K2, 6E1009A/K3, 6E1009A/K4, 6E1009A/K5, 6E1009A/K6

c. The 6 key wheel gears, Stock Numbers, 6E1009A/G1, 6E1009A/G2, 6E1009A/G3, 6E1009A/G4, 6E119A/G5, 6E1009A/G6

d. Intermediate gear shaft, Stock Number 6E1009A/S32

e. Drum assembly, Stock Number 6E1009A/D10.

3. Information, description and nomenclature of these parts may be obtained from TN 11-380, "Converter H-209, M-209A and M-209B."

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE:

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