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UNITED STATES COMMUNICATIONS INTELLIGENCE BOARD

AGENDA FOR

One hundred second Meeting at 1430, on Friday, 9 April 1954, in the Projection Room, Administration Building, CIA, Washington, D.C.

Mr. Allen W. Dulles, Chairman

PART I - Agenda Items

PL 86-36/50 USC 3605 EQ 3.3(h)(2)

Date of Initial Consideration	Subject <u>Numbers</u>		Submitted by
12 Feb 1954	· 29.17/		Director, NSA
29 Jan 1954	29.3/	2. Disclosure of U.K. "Circuit MERCURY" to the French (USCIB 29.3/27).	Executive Secretary
9 Apr 1954	9.4/	3. Increase in Scope of USCIB Authority (ELINT) (USCIB 9.4/1).*	Defense Member
12 Mar 1954	29.3/	•	Director, NSA
12 Mar 1954	13.5/	5. The Anderson Case (Oral Report).	Executive Secretary

*Papers to be distributed.

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PART II - Background Information on Agenda Items

Item No.	Subject and Summary
1.	- At the lOlst Meeting it was agreed (see USCIB 29.17/2) that the Director, NSA, would approach
	The Director, NSA, had informal discussions with Brigadier Tiltman, who relayed the proposal to London. USCIB 29.17/3 contains specific recommendations by the U.K. on this subject,
2.	Disclosure of U.K. "Circuit MERCURY" to the French - At its 10th Meeting on 27 January 1954, USCIBEC considered USCIB 29.3/16, which consisted of a recommendation by the Director, NSA, that his position against the delivery of "Circuit MERCURY" to the French be supported by USCIB. USCIBEC approved the Director, NSA's, recommendation (USCIB 29.3/22) and this decision was forwarded to USCIB for action. Official USCIB approval is noted in USCIB 29.3/21. The Board's decision was transmitted to U.K. authorities by the Director, NSA. The matter has now been reopened by the U.K. in a personal appeal to the Chairman, USCIB, by Major General Sir John Sinclair in his dual capacity as Chairman of LSIB and of the Cypher Policy Board, requesting that the proposal for release of "Circuit MERCURY" to the French be reconsidered by our Board. This request, and a detailed summary of actions in the matter to date are contained in USCIB 29.3/27 and the enclosure therewith.
3.	Increase in Scope of USCIB Authority (ELINT) - This is an original proposal being made directly to USCIB by the member representing the Department of Defense. The details of the proposal are contained in USCIB 9.4/1.
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5.	The Anderson Case - The Executive Secretary will make an oral report on developments since this matter was last discussed by the Board (USCIB 13.5/48). RUFUS L. TAYLOR Captain, U. S. Navy Executive Secretary, USCIB

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