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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: USAF "Category III" Requirements.

Reference: USCIB 13/287 dated 21 October 1952.

1. Vote sheet replies to the reference have been received from all members. It will be recalled that votes were requested on two proposals, viz, (1) the recommended amendment of paragraph 33, Appendix B, BRUSA, and (2) the visit of a small party of U.K. representatives to ASAPAC.

2. The first proposal was approved by CIA, AFOIN, AFSS, and FBI. The following comments and/or recommendations were received from other members:

- a. ONI; G-2, D/A; ASA: "Approved, provided that the answer to LSIB specifically states that this approval in no way abrogates the application of paragraph 15 of Appendix B, BRUSA (the 'emergency' clause) to any operation if the need arises, pending the general revision of Appendix B."
- b. A/DNC: "Approved, with recommendation that USCIB await negotiations on revision of Appendix B before reopening issue of use of COMINT in connection with ferret operations."
- c. STATE: "Appendix B is currently under study by the Ad Hoc Committee of USCIB. The work of that committee is near completion and it is recommended that the Board await the committee's findings before taking the action suggested by LSIB with reference to paragraph 33 of Appendix B."

3. As noted by the Department of State member, the Ad Hoc Committee report on revised Appendix B is expected to be available for consideration at the USCIB meeting to be held on 14 November 1952. The Coordinator proposes that the differences noted in paragraph 2 above be resolved when the ad hoc report is considered.

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4. With reference to the second proposal - that a small party of U.K. representatives (including one from DSB) visit ASAPAC - approval was received from STATE, CIA, and FBI. Comments and recommendations from other members were as follows:

- a. ARMY: "No objection provided the Coordinator considers it advantageous to U.S. interests in view of overall USCIB-LSIB relations, and providing CINCFE concurs."
- b. NAVY: "Concur provided CINCFE approval obtained prior to reply to LSIB."
- c. USAF: "Approved, (1) provided the DSB representative not be included among those making the proposed visit unless in the opinion of the USCIB Coordinator this can be satisfactorily accomplished within the limitations of the present U.S.-Australian exchange policy and, (2) provided CINCFE concurs."

5. The Coordinator is of the opinion that the visit to ASAPAC, as proposed by the British, can be accomplished within the limitations of the present U.S.-Australian exchange policy and, subject to receipt of CINCFE concurrence, will notify the Director, GCHQ, accordingly.


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