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USCIB: 29.1/4      Item A (not on Agenda) for the 91st Meeting of USCIB,  
held on 9 October 1953.

Subject:            Allied (NATO) Communications Security.

At the request of the Acting Chairman (General Cabell), MR. POLYZOIDES informed the members of the progress made to date by the Ad Hoc Committee of which he is Chairman. In brief, he reported that members of the Combined Working Group had been appointed, that the U.S. element of the Group had met and that this meeting was followed by the first meeting of the Combined Group, at which time agreement on paragraph 4 of USCIB 29.1/1 had been reached. Paragraphs 5 and 6 of the same paper were suggested to the British as terms of reference for an approach to the French. Though these terms were not approved by the British members, they did not propose alternative measures. Accordingly, the U.S. representatives agreed to supply Brigadier Tiltman with a statement of the precise steps envisaged by the U.S. together with a request that the U.K. propose an alternate solution to accomplish the same purpose if the U.K. should still find the U.S. proposals unacceptable. Brigadier Tiltman agreed to forward these explanations and request an immediate reply.

MR. POLYZOIDES concluded by saying that a British reply should be received during the coming week, and that six or eight weeks would probably be required for completion of the Committee's work.

The members noted Mr. Polyzoides' report.

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