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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. William Webster, Chairman, Research and Development Board

SUBJECT: Special Cryptologic Advisory Group (SCAG)

Reference: Memorandum for the Chairman, Research and Development Board, from Director, Armed Forces Security Agency, dated 25 February 1961, same subject

Enclosures: (A) Names and addresses of SCAG members as of 1 May 1961
(B) Proposed Agenda for First Conference of SCAG

1. a. The enclosure to the reference listed the names of ten potential members of SCAG. Thus far, the ^{six} ~~seven~~ persons whose names are listed in Enclosure (A) have indicated their willingness to serve on SCAG.

b. It is understood that you will prepare and forward formal invitations to these members, and will handle necessary paperwork in connection with their consultative services.

c. Information with regard to the availability of the other potential members of SCAG listed in the enclosure to the reference will be furnished as soon as practicable.

2. Subject to your concurrence, the following arrangements for the initial SCAG meeting are proposed:

a. It is desired to open the conference on 4 June at 10:00 a.m., either at the Pentagon or at the Naval Security Station (5801 Nebraska Avenue, Washington), as you may wish, and to carry on

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discussions for two days. The technical presentations and discussions will be conducted at the Naval Security Station and at Arlington Hall Station (4000 Lee Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia).

b. The proposed agenda, attached hereto as Enclosure (B), is forwarded for your consideration. You will note that it includes brief welcoming remarks by you and Lt. General Walter B. Smith. I shall invite the latter, unless you wish to do so.

c. It is hoped that Mr. Spakman will be able to attend this conference.

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NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF SCAG MEMBERS AS OF 1 MAY 1951

Dr. John von Neumann
Institute of Advanced Studies
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Dr. Stewart S. Cairns
Head of Department of Mathematics
University of Illinois
Urbana, Illinois

Dr. Charles E. Tompkins
Staughton Hall
George Washington University
Washington, D.C.

Dr. Howard T. Engstrom
Vice President
Engineering Research Associates,
807 18th Street South
Arlington, Virginia

Dr. R.K. Potter
Bell Telephone Laboratories
463 West Street,
New York, New York

Mr. Joseph R. Desch
National Cash Register Company
Dayton, Ohio

Enclosure (A)

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Agenda
for
First Conference of SCAG
4-5 June 1951

Opening Session - 10:00 A.M., 4 June
Room _____

5 minutes
10:00 Session
1. Briefing (for access to COMINT) of non-indoctrinated members, if any.
To be done by Captain Wenger.

2. Brief addresses of welcome:

5 min
5 min
Mr. William Webster, Chairman, Research and Development Board
General Walter B. Smith, USA, Director of Central Intelligence.

3. Presentation regarding AFSA:

10 minutes
Organization; position in Department of Defense and Armed
Forces; relationships with other U.S. agencies and bodies
such as USCIB and AFSAC.

To be given by Rear Admiral Earl E. Stone, USN, Director, AFSA.

Questions
30 minutes
4. Presentation regarding the importance and value of COMINT in
national defense.

To be given by Captain J.N. Wenger, USN, Deputy Director, AFSA.

Questions
10 min
5. Presentation by Mr. Speakman on procedural matters.

Questions
5 min
6. Program for technical sessions - Friedman
Questions
11:30 A.M. Break - for luncheon (either at the Pentagon
or at Naval Security Station, as
you may desire)

Luncheon 19-125

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Technical Sessions

1:00 P.M. - 4 June

(Room _____, Naval Security Station)

- 20-203
1. Presentation to illustrate how a complex COMINT problem was successfully handled in World War II.

To be given by LCDR Gleason, USNR, AFSA

2. *Question period*
~~Tour of machines at NSS.~~ (1 hour)

3. Presentation on AFSA project task SWEATER.

To be given by Mr. Albert E. Roberts, of Engineering Research Associates

(45 min.)

4. Presentation on AFSA's position and program in the field of electronic computers.

To be given by Drs. Campaigne and Echols, AFSA

(45 min.)

9: A.M. - 5 June

(Room _____, Arlington Hall Station)

4. Presentation and discussion of specific problems on which AFSA desires assistance from SCAG, interspersed with brief tours through pertinent working spaces of AFSA-02 and AFSA-03.

(All day)

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Deputy Associate Director for Policy and Records

On 20130731 by

EARL E. STONE
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy
Director, Armed Forces Security Agency

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