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CSGAS (28 Oct 48) 3d Ind  
 SUBJECT: Cryptographic Equipment

Intelligence Division, GSUSA, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C. 18 JAN 1949

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, 1660 East Hyde Park Boulevard,  
 Chicago 15, Illinois

1. It is believed that the provision of SIGABA and System 1503, rather than SIGTOF, to Kansas City, Fort Leavenworth, Fort Riley, and the Detroit Arsenal will provide the best solution of the problem mentioned in the basic communication. Consideration has been given to the amount and type of traffic, availability of equipment, and availability of maintenance personnel. Chicago Comcenter and Camp Carson, Colorado presently hold the SIGABA and the aforementioned system.

2. Provision of SIGABA will meet the requirement of increased speed of cryptographic handling and will have the important advantage over SIGTOF of permitting not only intercommunication among the headquarters concerned, but will permit each of the headquarters to communicate with the many continental and overseas headquarters holding this worldwide SIGABA system.

3. The above solution to this problem has been concurred in by the Office of the Chief Signal Officer.

4. In view of the above and upon assurance that the necessary physical security requirements, as outlined in Inclosure 1 hereto, can be provided, SIGABA and System 1503 will be furnished to the appropriate headquarters.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE:

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CSGAS-81 (28 October 1948) 3d Ind  
 Subject: Cryptographic Equipment

Headquarters, Army Security Agency, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Fifth Army, 1660 East Hyde Park Boulevard,  
 Chicago 15, Illinois

1. It is believed that the installation of SIGABA at Kansas City, Fort Leavenworth, Fort Riley and the Detroit Arsenal will provide the best solution of the problem mentioned in the basic communication. Consideration has been given to the amount and type of traffic, availability of equipment and availability of maintenance personnel.

2. Enclosed is a disposition form pertaining to this subject and Comment Number 2 thereto from the Office of the Chief Signal Officer.

3. Concurrence and/or comments are requested.

FOR THE CHIEF, ARMY SECURITY AGENCY:

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 Disposition form,  
 8 Dec 48, subj  
 "Request for  
 Cryptographic  
 Equipment for  
 Headquarters in the  
 Fifth Army Area,"  
 with Comment No. 2

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