

This study is an attempt to examine the  
 authority or authorizations for the conduct of  
 United States cryptologic activities. ~~From the outset, it~~  
~~should be noted that~~ although various laws  
 will be referred to in the course of this examination,  
 no attempt will be made to judge the legality of any  
 of these activities for ~~we~~ we simply don't have the  
 training nor ~~this is not an attempt to~~  
~~legitimize~~ cryptologic activities nor to ~~do~~ this is  
 not an attempt to <sup>prove</sup> presuppose the legality or  
 illegality of such activities, merely to ~~try and~~  
 clarify ~~the~~ document, as ~~best~~ <sup>well</sup> as available  
 records will permit, for the sake of clarity, what  
 the various authorizations have been and are  
 now for cryptologic activities and what  
 various laws have said on the subject and  
 what ~~the~~ ~~found~~ are confusion the outcome of  
 all of this will be to show the confusion and  
 contradictions that have existed in the  
 past between statutes and reality, the danger  
 The results of the study will be to show  
 the <sup>confusion</sup> contradictions that have existed <sup>concerning</sup>  
 statutes and actual practice, the problems of  
 attempting to legislate in the area of national  
 security, the problems confronting the  
 cryptologic profession in the conduct of its  
 operations — If there <sup>has</sup> been often been  
 confusion and uncertainty between the two and  
 even ~~apparent~~ contradictions, note it that's  
 the way it was; perhaps it will ~~clearly~~ point  
 to better ways of lead to an avoidance of the