



ARMY SERVICE FORCES

SIGNAL SECURITY AGENCY

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SUBJECT: Disclosure of Classified Information

TO: Chief, Training Branch
Chief, Personnel Branch
Chief, Officer Personnel Section

1. The information quoted below is from a letter to the Chief, Personnel and Training Division from the Commanding General, dated 17 July 1945.

*1. There has been called to my attention several instances in which disclosures of certain activities of this Agency have been made to unauthorized personnel of other associated agencies.

2. Attention is invited to the fact that while the Signal Security Agency is affiliated with intelligence activities of other organizations such as G-2; Intelligence Branch, Office of the Chief Signal Officer; Intelligence Division, Army Service Forces; Naval Communications Annex; and allied centers, the exchange of information with these organizations must be limited to those personnel only who are fully indoctrinated and qualified to receive such information. The participation by members of other organizations in similar work does not justify free discussion of the nature and items of interest occurring within the Signal Security Agency to other personnel. Disclosure of information regarding the activities of this Agency will be made only on duly authorized occasions and to the personnel of other agencies whose work requires such information.

3. A current list of the names of personnel in the Military Intelligence Service and other agencies of the War Department who are authorized to receive information concerning the product of this Agency is maintained in the Office of the Director of Intelligence, Military Intelligence Service. In no case will the disclosure of ULTRA information

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be made to personnel of the War Department not so authorized by the Military Intelligence Service. In this connection, Major Forrest F. McCluney of the Director's office (War Department Extension 5272) may be contacted for information concerning proper authorization.

4. It is desired that the above be brought to the attention of all members of your organization."

2. In order to comply with the wishes of the Commanding General and to impress on all personnel the seriousness of "loose talk," the contents of this letter will be disseminated to all personnel. Each unit head will place his initials on this letter as evidence that he has personally complied with paragraph 4 of the quoted correspondence.

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