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~~SECRET~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Implementation of Categorization.

Reference: USCIB 13.7/42 dated 19 May 1955.

1. At its 30th Meeting, USCIBEC considered the reference and agreed that the difficulties apparent in the implementation of categorization warrant a thorough study of the basic aspects of the problem including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

a. Further investigation of the figure of 42,000 indoctrinated persons referred to in paragraph 4 of the reference, with a view to determining more specifically how many of these persons, as a practical matter, are regularly exposed to each of the categories of COMINT.

b. Intercept operators need for Category III COMINT material and exploration of the practicability of limiting their access to Category II and Category I COMINT material only.

c. Review of material assigned to all categories with particular emphasis upon a detailed study with resultant recommendations relative to downgrading certain material presently assigned to Category III (USCIBEC agreed that a large amount of COMINT presently assigned to Category III might well be downgraded in an effort to accomplish one of the objectives of the categorization scheme, namely, restricting access to that high grade COMINT for which source protection is an overriding consideration).

d. Review of the provisions of Appendix B and pertinent USCIB Directives in connection with this problem with a view to recommending appropriate revisions, if deemed desirable.

2. USCIBEC referred the problem, as set forth in the reference and discussed during the 30th Meeting to a Joint Committee for study and recommendation, such Committee to be chaired by the Chairman of INTCOM, and comprised of the members of the USCIB Intelligence and Security Committees.

  
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