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MEMORANDUM For Captain Wharton.

Subject: FBI-British Interest in the U. S.

1. At 1500 14 July 1945 the writer conferred with Mr. D. M. Ladd of the FBI regarding the post war British Intelligence organization in the United States.

2. A letter addressed to the Director, British Security Coordination, New York City, dated 22 January 1944 directed that BSC, among other things, forwarded to the Department of Justice a quarterly roster of BSC personnel in the U. S.

3. In view of the post VE Day disintegration of the BSC, and the spreading of its former members throughout various British delegations and missions in the U. S., it was the writers desire to ask the FBI whether this latter bureau would take up with the Department of Justice the question of the continuation of a roster of British Intelligence personnel in the U. S. no matter to which delegation or mission this personnel might be assigned.

4. In reply, Mr. Ladd indicated that the question was still too unsettled to make a definite request of the Department of Justice. Comdr. P. W. Stone, now in civilian status in New York, is about to confer with Mr. Ladd regarding the future of the British Security Coordination. It will be recalled that Comdr. Stone left the Washington Office of the British Security Coordination in July of 1945 to be assigned to the British Passport Control Office in New York City. It would appear that Stone intimated to Mr. Ladd that the whole question of the future status of MI.6 and MI.5 is now under discussion in London with the definite possibility that there may be an amalgamation of the two agencies. Mr. Ladd stated that he decided to conclude his conversations with Comdr. Stone before approaching the Department of Justice on the matter of a continuation of the roster of British Intelligence personnel in the U. S.

5. Mr. Ladd was in agreement that the British are placing there intelligence personnel in various innocuous sounding offices such as the British Ministry of War Transport, the United Kingdom Treasury Delegation, etc. and that it is the desire of the FBI to keep close touch on this personnel. Mr. Ladd intimated that if the names of British Intelligence personnel were not forthcoming from the British themselves, the FBI would, at a later date instigate investigations to "whip them into line".

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6. Mr. Ladd encouraged a full exchange of information on British Intelligence personnel between FBI, Army, Navy, and the State Department, and indicated that such collaboration would be fruitful to all.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lt. Comdr., USNR

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