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The Vice Chief of Naval Operations. The Commandants, Naval Districts and River Commands, Bureaus and Offices of the Navy Department.

Subject:

From:

To:

Personnel Security Affecting Internal Security of Private Plants, Government Owned-Privately Operated Plants, and Naval Shore Activities -Procedure.

Reference: (a) War Department, SOS, ltr. SPMGS - 8/9/42.

1. To facilitate the effective discharge of the responsibility of the Vice Chief of Naval Operations in subject field, the Director, Base Maintenance Division of this office is designated to represent the Vice Chief of Naval Operations with the Provost Marshal General, War Department, and the Bureaus and Offices of the Navy Department, with respect to matters concerning aliens and subversives wherein the internal security of subject plants and activities is involved.

2. The following general basis of procedure is prescribed:

(a) The Naval Intelligence Service, exercising its basic function, will collect, evaluate and disseminate to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations and others concerned, pertinent information on subject matters.

(b) The recipient of information from the above or any other source should, if advisable, act thereon within the the limits of his authority. This may be in the form of direct local measures or recommendation to higher authority whose action may be required to remedy the situation. The attention of Commandants is particularly invited to Reference (a), subhead V. Local recommendations, involving private or government ownedprivately operated plants, should be made to the Commanding General, appropriate Service Command, U. S. Army, through the Commandant of the Naval District, with copies to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations and the contracting Bureau concerned. Where

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considered advisable, special recommendation may, in addition, be made to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations to urge departmental action.

- (c) The Director, Base Maintenance Division, will,
 - (1) when deemed advisable to preserve adequate internal security of subject plants and activities, initiate appropriate recommendation to the Provost Marshal General, War Department, or the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, as appropriate, in support of action taken under (b) above, or independently thereof;
 - (2) initiate recommendations to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy on proposals of the Provost Marshal General, War Department, as to final action in subject field.

/s/ F. J. HORNE F. J. HORNE

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