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From:

District Intelligence Officer, Thirteenth Naval District.

To:

Chief of Naval Intelligence.

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Collaboration with local C.I.A. Field Representative.

Ref:

(a) CNO(CNI) Secr. Ltr. to all DIOs, (less lOND, 14ND, 15ND, 17ND), Serial 001188P32, dtd. 2 April 1948, Subj., Foreign Intelligence Program - Revision of.

(b) CNO(CNI) Conf. Ltr. to DIO/13ND, Serial 0521F32, dtd. 15 July

1948, Subj., Intelligence Reporting.

(c) DIO/13ND Secr. Ltr. to CNI, dtd. 15 Nov. 1948, Subj., Sources Turned Over to Local C.I.A. Field Representative.

- In Paragraph 2 of Reference (c) the DIO reported that he had conferred with the local C. I.A. Field Representative, and that steps had been taken to insure an uninterrupted flow of information from existing navy sources.
- Several contacts have been made with the local C.I.A. Field Representative. Yesterday a conference was held in the office of the DIO between the DIO and the C.I.A. Representative. In this conference the C.I.A. Representative stated that he had been advised by his headquarters to use the following procedure for reporting information obtained from a foreign source, or from a domestic source on a foreign subject, and originating in the office of the DIO:
  - Obtain a rough copy of the report from the DIO.
  - Edit and prepare the report in finished form in the local C.I.A. office.
  - Forward the report, about sixty (60) copies, to C.I.A. Headquarters for final distribution.
  - Obtain from the DIO the source or sources of each report.
- During the conference with the C.I.A. Field Representative, reported in Reference (c), the C.I.A. Representative had advised the DIO that he was not prepared to handle foreign reporting formerly handled by the DIO; that the DIO could assume that, whenever a report was considered necessary, the C.I.A. Field Representative had requested the DIO to prepare and submit such report, furnishing a copy to the local C.I.A. Field Representative. Yesterday the DIO advised the C.I.A. Representative that it appeared that delays would be involved if the DIO submitted reports to the local C.I.A. Representative in rough form for preparation by the C.I.A. Representative, for forwarding to C.I.A. Headquarters for distribution. The DIO made it clear that he felt certain that delay would be

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involved in receipt by CNT. The C.I.A. Representative stated that he now has two clerks and that he felt that there would be no delay in receipt by CNI.

- 4. Reference (a), which implemented National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 7, recognizes the cognizance of C.I.A. Field Representatives over domestic sources of foreign intelligence and foreign sources of all intelligence within continental U.S.; it limits intelligence reporting by the DIO to domestic sources of domestic intelligence, except when cleared through or requested by the local C.I.A. Field Office, except when the DIO submits reports to CNI in letter form. Reference (b) states that reporting is desired on Intelligence Report Form NNI-96.
- 5. Since Reference (a) recognizes the cognizance of C.I.A. over foreign intelligence sources within the continental limits of the United States, the DIO feels that he should comply with the request of the local C.I.A. Field Representative regarding submission of reports to the latter in rough form with source data, unless CNI desires to modify Reference (b) to the extent of permitting the DIO to submit intelligence reports in letter form when considered appropriate by the DIO.
- 6. Unless directed specifically by CNI, the DIO will not furnish to any other government agency or any other agency any information regarding any Special Observer. It so happens that a certain Special Observer is a domestic source of foreign intelligence (Canadian). The DIO believes that this particular observer would resent being presented to any other government agency as a source of information. There are other sources of information that, due to personal reasons, prefer to maintain contact with U. S. Naval Representatives rather than with other governmental representatives, just as there are without doubt other sources of information that prefer to maintain relations with C.I.A. rather than other governmental offices.
- 7. The local C.I.A. Representative does not know at the present time whether or not he is authorized to contact any sources of information in Canada, other than U. S. Consular officials; he is making an inquiry regarding this subject, to his headquarters. The C.I.A. Field Representative stated frankly that he is not qualified to report on maritime subjects, due to lack of familiarity with shipping, lack of technical knowledge and technical terms, etc. He asked the DIO whether or not the latter would cooperate in such reporting, and the DIO advised that he would be glad to assist in developing any sources of maritime information.
- 8. The C.I.A. Field Representative stated that before forwarding any reports received in rough form from the DIO, he would clearly indicate in the finished report that the report originated in the DIO's office. However, the DIO feels that it is not conducive to good morale to prepare reports in this office in rough form for final preparation and dissemination by another governmental office. The DIO will collaborate to the fullest with the C.I.A.; however

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the DIO feels that no governmental office should undertake the execution of a directive until it is prepared, with its own personnel, to execute such directive.

- 9. Pending a reply to this letter, the DIO will use his own judgment regarding submission of reports on a foreign subject or obtained from a foreign source in letter form or NNI-96.
- 10. Transmission by United States registered mail or registered guard mail is authorized in accordance with Article 7-5, United States Navy Security Manual for Classified Matter.

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