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Encl: (1) Procedures Facilitating Intelligence Exploitation of Captured
Enemy Personnel.

1. Purpose. This INSTRUCTION promulgates enclosure (1), a directive approved by the Secretary of Defense.

2. Scope. The scope of this INSTRUCTION is set forth in paragraph 2 of enclosure (1). (The procedures prescribed in enclosure (1) appear in SR 380-350-4 and AFOIN-C 350.09 21 March 1952)

3. Authority. This INSTRUCTION is issued as provided in paragraph 3b. of reference (a) for information and guidance and compliance with such procedures in enclosure (1) as pertain to the Navy.

4. Classification. Attention is directed to footnote to paragraph 3b. of enclosure (1). This limits the use of the SECRET name, Armed Services Personnel Interrogation Center (ASPIC), to documents having a SECRET Classification. The unclassified name, Army Security Center (ASC), shall be used for all administrative purposes and where the classification is not above CONFIDENTIAL.

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PROCEDURES FACILITATING
INTELLIGENCE EXPLOITATION
OF CAPTURED ENEMY PERSONNEL

1. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this directive, the definitions hereinafter indicated will apply:

a. Captured Enemy Personnel. Such persons who are prisoners of war and/or specially selected persons as defined herein.

b. Prisoners of War. Such persons who are prisoners of war, or who are suspected of being prisoners of war, as defined in the Geneva Convention, relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, dated 12 August 1949.

c. Specially Selected Persons. Such persons who come within criteria furnished hereafter from time to time by Department of Defense Directives.*

2. SCOPE

a. This directive establishes:

(1) Procedures effecting custody and reporting of captured enemy personnel initially coming into United States military control in the Western Hemisphere.

(2) Exploitation priorities of the three Services with respect to captured enemy personnel in the Western Hemisphere.

(3) Methods of effecting transfer throughout the Department of Defense of specially selected persons for intelligence exploitation purposes.

3. CUSTODY

a. All captured enemy personnel initially in the custody of the United States Army, the United States Navy, or the United States Air Force within the Western Hemisphere will be evacuated to the nearest available Army receiving point and there held available for immediate interrogation by the Service equivalent to the Service of the captured enemy.

b. Within appropriate Army command channels, custody of captured enemy personnel within the Western Hemisphere will be held under the direction of the provost marshal of the area where such captured enemy personnel are physically located, subject to the supervision of the Provost Marshal General (PMG). The Armed Services Personnel Interrogation Center (ASPIC)** is authorized to requisition the transfer of designated captured enemy personnel through PMG to ASPIC, or in emergency cases, to other locations desired for intelligence exploitation purposes.

c. Any Army provost marshal receiving notification of the custody of captured enemy personnel in the Western Hemisphere, in an area under his jurisdiction, by any United States Armed Service, civilian, or civilian agency, will take immediate measures to bring such captured enemy personnel into Army provost custody, subject to the priority interrogation indicated in subparagraph a above.

* The Armed Services Personnel Interrogation Center is delegated the authority to issue such directives for the Department of Defense.

** The use of the designation "Armed Services Personnel Interrogation Center" should be limited to documents with a SECRET classification. The unclassified indicator for ASPIC is Army Security Center (Ref: DA, G.O. No. 86, 1 Oct 51).

d. Captured enemy personnel in the Western Hemisphere, under Army provost custody, will be held available for intelligence exploitation by representatives of the Service possessing priority as established hereunder, unless ordered to the contrary by ASPIC through PMG. Subject to the authority of ASPIC, the Service with intelligence exploitation priority can order the transfer of captured enemy personnel to any location desired for exploitation. Requests by the respective Services for the movement of captured enemy personnel will be forwarded to PMG, through channels established by ASPIC.

4. NOTIFICATION

a. Any Army Area, Naval District, Air Command, or component of the aforementioned in the continental United States, and other United States military command in the Western Hemisphere, which captures, or obtains military custody of captured enemy personnel, will notify immediately, by the most expeditious means of communication:

(1) The Provost Marshal General, Washington, D. C., who will in turn notify ASPIC.

(2) The nearest operational command of the Service equivalent to the Service of the captured enemy.

b. Notification reports will include, to the extent possible, the information indicated below:

- (1) Name
- (2) Serial Number
- (3) Unit
- (4) Nationality
- (5) Service
- (6) Rank
- (7) Place captured
- (8) Agency or individual(s) making capture
- (9) Circumstances of capture
- (10) Location of custody or confinement
- (11) Physical condition.

5. INTELLIGENCE EXPLOITATION PRIORITIES

a. Each of the three Military Services in the Western Hemisphere will have first priority for intelligence exploitation purposes of captured enemy personnel who are in equivalent Services in the enemy Armed Forces, or as may be determined from time to time by Department of Defense directives.*

b. In instances of captured enemy personnel taken within the Western Hemisphere, whose identity as to a Service affiliation cannot be determined readily, intelligence exploitation priority will be charged to the Army which will:

(1) Submit to ASPIC a copy of all reports.

(2) Transfer priority of intelligence exploitation to the Service deemed appropriate (i.e. the Navy or the Air Force), exploitation to the Service deemed appropriate (i.e. the Navy or the Air Force), as soon as it is ascertained that the captured enemy personnel is not of the enemy Army forces.

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g. The Service having priority for intelligence exploitation of the prisoner of war shall:

(1) Proceed with such exploitation.

(2) Furnish promptly and continuously to the other Services all information of interest to the latter.

d. In the event of a conflict between the Services in determining first priority interests, a final decision will be rendered by ASPIC.

e. Nothing previously stated herein shall be construed to prevent ASPIC from assuming intelligence exploitation priority of specially selected persons.

f. All requests by ASPIC for access for the purpose of intelligence exploitation will be sent to appropriate Army commanders.

6. TRANSFER OF SPECIALLY SELECTED PERSONS TO ASPIC

a. All commands, throughout the Department of Defense, will be responsible for the continuous review of prisoner of war records and reports to establish without delay the identity of specially selected persons under specific criteria furnished from time to time under Department of Defense directives. If, in the course of such review, it is considered that a

prisoner of war may be a specially selected person, such commands, using the most expeditious means available, will transmit to ASPIC information on which such consideration is based.

b. ASPIC is authorized to send liaison teams to overseas commands, outside the Western Hemisphere, for the purpose of assisting the selection of specially selected persons, and will be afforded every available facility to expedite their mission, including access to appropriate files. Such liaison teams will submit direct reports to ASPIC on matters pertaining to selection and handling of specially selected persons, furnishing copies of such reports to the theater commander, through channels.

g. Direct communication between PMG and overseas commands is authorized for the purpose of implementing shipment of specially selected persons as requested by ASPIC. Shipment will be effected in the most expeditious manner.

d. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit an overseas command in performing any and all functions essential to its needs in the field of intelligence exploitation of a prisoner of war.

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