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DIVISION OF PLANS AND POLICIES
HEADQUARTERS U. S. MARINE CORPS

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

8 June 1948.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Division of Plans and Policies.

Subject: Personnel at CIC School (Army), at Camp Holabird, Maryland.

Enclosure: (A) Request of Technical Sergeant Frank V. CUTTING, USMC, for transfer to other duty.
(B) Report of trip to CIC School, Camp Holabird, Maryland, by Major Arsenault, G-2 Section, Division of Plans and Policies.

1. This section was informed of Enclosure (A), a request by Sergeant Cutting for transfer from the CIC School, by Colonel Rosecrans, Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, U. S. Naval Activities, Washington, D.C. Colonel Rosecrans stated that he was forwarding the request to Headquarters and was contemplating making a trip to Camp Holabird to investigate the basis for the man's request and the general attitude of the officers and men attending the course. The undersigned requested Colonel Rosecrans not to make the trip and stated that he would send an officer from the G-2 Section of the Division of Plans and Policies. Colonel Rosecrans agreed to this proposal.
2. The undersigned then contacted the Unlisted Detail Section of the Personnel Department, notifying them that the request was on the way and asked them to withhold action on it until an investigation of the situation at the school could be completed. The request, attached as Enclosure (A), is on loan from the Personnel Department.
3. In pursuance of my instructions to Major Ditta, Major Arsenault and Master Sergeant Mather proceeded to Camp Holabird on 4 June. Major Arsenault was instructed to approach the school authorities on the basis of our interest on how the Marine students were progressing, and to obtain any comments of the school authorities in relation to their work, etc. The results of this investigation are stated in Enclosure (B).
4. It is the opinion of the undersigned that Technical Sergeant Cutting's request for transfer should be disapproved and that he complete the course. From the report of Major Arsenault, and from conversation with him, it is also the opinion of the undersigned that the officers

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and men were not properly briefed as to the scope and purpose of the school by the organizations from which they came. The G-3 Section now has under preparation a letter of instruction, which is expected to be promulgated sometime in July, which will give an outline of the curriculum, scope, and purpose of all schools to which Marine personnel will be sent for instruction.

5. As an interim measure, it is recommended that either the G-3 or G-2 be authorized to order the senior Marine officer now attending the course to this Headquarters for instruction as to his responsibilities with respect to the Marine personnel assigned to the school. It is further recommended that in the future the senior Marine officer detailed to this school be ordered to this Headquarters for similar briefing prior to his reporting to the school.

M. C. Horner

M. C. HORNER

G-2

Approved

Disapproved

COMPANY "D"
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS CENTER
Camp Holabird, Baltimore 19, Maryland

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21 May 1948

From: Technical Sergeant Frank V. CUTTING, 2800669, USMC (812)
TO: Commandant of the Marine Corps, Headquarters, U.S. Marine
Corps, Washington, 25, D.C.
THRU: (1) Commanding Officer, Hq. Co., Marine Barracks, U.S.
U.S. Naval Activities, Washington, USNOF, Washington,
D.C.
(2) Commanding Officer, Marine Barracks, U.S. Naval Activi-
ties, Washington, USNOF, Washington, D.C.

Subject: Transfer, request for.

1. I request a transfer to an overseas station.
2. I do not like the type of work for which I am presently being trained. It is not as was represented to me.
3. I have thirty-one (31) months to serve on present enlistment and extensions of enlistment.
4. I do not desire to take any leave accrued to me.
5. If approved, I desire duty as follows:
 - a. First choice - Japan
 - b. Second choice - Philippine Islands

FRANK V. CUTTING

280669/2445-20/DDP-mek 1st Endorsement 27 May 1948
HQCO, MR, USNAV ACTV WASHINGTON, NGE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

From: Commanding Officer, MARINE CORPS
To: Commanding Officer, Post,
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
Subject: Transfer, request for, case of Technical Sergeant
Frank V. CUTTING (280669), USMC

1. Forwarded, recommending approval.

2. The records of this office show that the subject named man reenlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps at Training Basic School, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia on 31 January 1948 for a period of four (4) years. He agreed to extend his enlistment for a period of one (1) year on 26 March 1948, effective 31 January 1950 and joined this Post on 6 April 1948 from Headquarters Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, Second Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. On 24 April 1948, he was assigned, under instruction to Counter Intelligence School, Camp Holabird, Baltimore 19, Maryland.

3. There is no disciplinary action pending against the subject named man.

D. D. PEPPIN.

2445/HER:whf 2d Endorsement 1 June, 1948.
MARINE BARRACKS, U. S. NAVAL ACTIVITIES WASHINGTON,
NAVAL GUN FACTORY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

From: Commanding Officer.
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps.

References: (a) OMC Ltr Serial MC-988377, dtd 19Mar48.
(b) MARCORPS Dispatch 241455Z of Mar48.

1. Forwarded.

2. Technical Sergeant CUTTING was assigned under instruction to Counter Intelligence School, Camp Holabird, Baltimore 19, Maryland, in compliance with directions contained in references (a) and (b).

H. E. ROSECRANS.

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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL HORNER:

Subject: Visit to Counterintelligence School, Camp Holabird, Maryland.

Enclosure: (A) List of Students.

1. In compliance with verbal instructions from Major Ditta, Master Sergeant Mather and I visited the Counterintelligence School, Camp Holabird, Maryland, on 4 June. As a result of conversations with the school Executive Officer, school Director of Training, and one officer and two enlisted Marine students, the following facts were ascertained:

On the whole, the school standard of the Marines under going instruction was below average. One officer and several Marine enlisted had failed in the first two weeks examination, and several enlisted in the second two weeks examination. However, all Marines had shown improvement, and it is expected that all will have passing grades at the conclusion of the first six weeks of school, at which time it is customary for the school authorities to determine whether students are to continue the course or not. The reason for the poor showing of the Marines was attributed both by the school authorities interviewed and by the Marines interviewed as due first to the amount of time devoted to Army administration with which the Marines were not familiar, and secondly to the failure of the Marines to devote sufficient time to studying the material presented in class. Both the school authorities and the Marines stated that there was now a definite change for the better in this matter, and it was reflected in improved grades for all Marines in the second two weeks period. The third, and possibly the most important reason for the poor showing of the Marines was due to the fact that none of the Marines attending the school, so far as could be learned, had requested an assignment to it, nor was the background of the majority of Marines such as to warrant their being sent there. Prior to their arrival at Holabird, none of the Marines seemingly had been acquainted with the purpose or scope of the school, nor with what they might expect as a possible assignment after completing the course. Consequently they were apathetic on arrival and not disposed to take full advantage of the opportunities the school offers. It might be noted, too, that the four officers attending the school seem to have made only minor efforts to encourage the enlisted Marines in their work, or to supervise them to the extent that they would devote more time to their studies. This was due in part to the inexperience of the officers, their reluctance to assume responsibility for enlisted men attached to a different command, and in one case to the evident and expressed disinterest of the officer in the school.

Enclosure (B)

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Subject: Visit to Counterintelligence School, Camp Holabird,
Maryland.

2. Based on these observations and on a study of the curriculum of the Counterintelligence School, the following recommendations are made:

The school offers excellent opportunities for military education to personnel from specialized Marine Corps units. In particular, the school is of value to Military Police and Intelligence personnel. Extensive instruction is given in investigation work, interrogation, the collection of evidence, and security. Graduates of the school would be of value to the Marine Corps both in organizations in the United States and in organizations overseas. Consequently, it is recommended that personnel selected for the school should be either from military police detachments or from intelligence sections, or else Marines who have expressed a preference for or are considered suitable material from either of these two specialties.

Second, it is recommended that all Marines attending the current course complete it.

Third, it is recommended that personnel assigned to the school be briefed on the purpose of the school, the curriculum, and the kind of work that graduates may expect. In view of the fact that Holabird is near Headquarters Marine Corps, it is recommended that personnel be briefed at the G-2 Section this Headquarters as well as at their parent unit.

Finally, although it should not be necessary, it should be impressed on the senior Marine officer attending the school that he has definite responsibilities for assisting the enlisted Marines attending in order that Marines might make a creditable showing at an Army school.

A. Arsenault
A. ARSENAULT

Endorsement (B) 12/22

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ENCLOSURE (A).

LIST OF STUDENTS IN CIC SCHOOL.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>FILE NO.</u>	<u>SSN</u>	<u>PRESENT ORG.</u>
<u>COMMISSIONED</u>				
BUCHANAN, Fitzhugh L.	2d.Lt.	(046401)	(1542)	1st. Mar. Div.
HITCHCOCK, Paul L.	1st.Lt.	(037820)	()	AirFMFLant.
KING, Charles F., Jr.	2d.Lt.	(048085)	(1542)	1st. Mar. Div.
MC GUINNESS, Clarence E.	1st.Lt.	(037612)	(0200)	2d. Mar. Div.
<u>ENLISTED</u>				
BLAIR, Leo F.	Cpl.	(581988)	(796)	1st. Mar. Div.
CUTTING, Frank V.	TSgt.	(280669)	(812)	2d. Mar. Div.
DAY, William E.	MSgt.	(283342)	(585)	2d. Mar. Div.
ECKERT, John F., Jr.	PFC.	(617340)	(729)	1st. Mar. Div.
KELLER, Albert W.	Cpl.	(551746)	(667)	1st. Mar. Div.
MONTGOMERY, Benton R., Jr.	SSgt.	(305002)	(812)	2d. Mar. Div.
WALLACE, William D.	Cpl.	(643732)	(641)	2d. Mar. Div.
YANT, John T.	Cpl.	(584347)	(890)	1st. Mar. Div.

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