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**From:** Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet.  
**To:** Chief of Naval Operations (Office of Naval Intelligence).

**Subject:** Secret OSS Documents, Loss of.

1. Forwarded herewith for appropriate disposition.

P. V. MERCER  
Assistant Chief of Staff

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22 Dec. 1943

From: Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District  
 To: Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area

Via: Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Ocean Areas

Subject: Secret OSS Documents, Loss of

- Encls: (A) Carbon copy of BuPers orders re Lt. Comdr. John Kremer, Jr., USNR, #43970 (classified Restricted)
- (B) One copy OSS Map No. 2638, Western Pacific Ocean, revised 14 Oct. 1943 (unclassified)
- (C) One-page, typed paper, entitled "Proposed Morale Operations and Means of Transmission," with pencilled notations thereon (classified Secret)
- (D) Three carbon copies of six-page document, entitled "Beach Jumper - Tactical Deception" (classified Secret-Security)
- (E) Original, one-page inter-office memo from Executive Officer, OSS Planning Group to Deputy Director, Intelligence Services, dated 3 Dec. 1943, subject: a. Basic Military Plan for Psychological Warfare in the Southwest Pacific Theater, b. Basic Military Plan for Psychological Warfare in the Pacific Theater, signed for A. H. Onthank, Colonel, MI (classified Secret)
- (F) One mimeographed copy OSS Planning Group P.G. 29, Copy No. 23, "Basic Military Plan for Psychological Warfare in the Pacific Theater," dated 12 June 1943, consisting of cover page, nine pages numbered 1-9, and one-page "Annex 'A'" (classified Secret)
- (G) Three sheets white, legal-size foolscap paper with pencilled writing thereon (unclassified)

1. Enclosures (A) through (G) were delivered to a representative of the District Intelligence Officer, Fourteenth Naval District, on 12 December 1943, by an officer of the Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor. The latter found enclosures at Bachelor Officers Quarters No. 1 at the Navy Yard, upon assuming quarters occupied until

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9 December 1943 by Lt. Comdr. John Kremer, Jr., USNR. When found, the enclosures were in an envelope marked only "KREMER."

2. On 10 December 1943, the District Air Transportation Officer furnished air transportation for Lt. Comdr. John Kremer, Jr., whose orders directed him to go to Brisbane, Australia, and to report to ComSoWesPac for duty.

3. The nature of the enclosures, and the circumstances of their finding, indicate that probably they were last in the possession of Lt. Comdr. John Kremer, Jr., USNR, during his occupancy of a room at Bachelor Officers Quarters, Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor. In view of the fact that the enclosures may be required by Lt. Comdr. Kremer in his present duty, they are forwarded herewith for appropriate disposition.

4. Investigation by the District Intelligence Officer of the circumstances of the finding of enclosures indicates the probability that no compromise has occurred. It appears that the enclosures lay untouched from the time they were last in proper custody-- presumably in the possession of Lt. Comdr. Kremer-- until they were discovered by the officer who delivered them to the District Intelligence Officer.

5. Since enclosures indicate the probability that Lt. Comdr. Kremer is working out of the Office of Strategic Services, Washington, copies of this letter are directed to the Chief of Naval Operations (Director of Naval Intelligence) for such notification to the Office of Strategic Services as may be required.

6. The urgency of delivery of this document is such that it will not reach the addressee in time by the next available officer messenger. Authority is hereby granted to transmit this correspondence by registered air mail within the jurisdiction of the United States Mail and the Naval Postal Service.

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H. S. BURR  
By direction