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From: Director of Naval Intelligence.
To: District Intelligence Officers, All Naval Districts;
Intelligence Officer, Potomac River Naval Command;
Intelligence Officer, Severn River Naval Command.
Subject: Investigations by ONI-PRNC.

1. In the interest of conserving manpower and avoiding duplication of investigative effort, it is deemed advisable to caution against a tendency on the part of some districts to forward requests for investigation in the vicinity of Washington to both the Office of Naval Intelligence and the Potomac River Naval Command. Several such cases have recently been noted.

2. The difficulty of attempting to itemize the various types of cases within the jurisdiction of the Office of Naval Intelligence and the Potomac River Naval Command respectively is apparent. Basically, leads for investigation at the Washington Navy Yard itself or at one of the naval activities in the Potomac River Naval Command under the cognizance of the Commandant are properly forwarded to the Intelligence Officer, Potomac River Naval Command. All other leads in this area are covered by the Office of Naval Intelligence. It is suggested that in cases where doubt exists, the lead or leads be forwarded to the Office of Naval Intelligence where, if properly a PRNC matter, the same will be referred to that office.

/s/ B. F. Perry

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By direction.

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