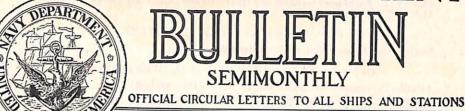
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44-341—Civilians and Technicians—Admission to the Naval Establishment— Certification of To Receive Classified Information and the Issuance of Credentials for Passage in Naval Vessels and for Duty in Combat

Op30S4-1h, Serial 624430, 27 March 1944

ACTION: ALL SHIPS AND STATIONS

(Ref.: (a) CNO ltr. Op-30Sa-1h, (SC)A8-5/QM, serial 0131730, 24 June 1943. (b) SecNav ltr. Op30S4, serial 223630, 19 Nov. 1943; N. D. Bul. of 30 Nov. 1943, R-1617.)

1. In order to release personnel to other duties, the War and Navy Departments have found it necessary to severely curtail investigations in the personnel security field. Reference (a) is canceled. (Since reference (a) did not receive the same distribution as this letter, nonholders of reference (a) will disregard it.)

2. Paragraph 6(b) of reference (b) is canceled and the following is substituted therefor:

"Require the employees of private contractors who perform work at a naval shore activity to complete the personnel security questionnaire (WD PMG-ID Form 58). Personnel security questionnaires submitted by contractors' employees other than those to be processed in accordance with paragraph 13 hereof, will be carefully screened by designated representatives of the commanding officer. In general, it is considered that as a result of such screening only those cases involving a suspicion of disloyalty or having unusual opportunities for sabotage will be forwarded to the cognizant Army service command for further processing. On the basis of such screening, further processing by the Army as deemed essential, and any necessary additional investigation by the district security organization, assisted as required by the Naval Intelligence Service, the commanding officer of the activity will determine whether he will permit such private employees access to the activity. In cases of urgency, admission to a naval activity may be authorized in the discretion of the commanding officer prior to normal processing."

3. Paragraph 13(b) of reference (b) is canceled and the following is substituted therefor:

"Simultaneously, in order to expedite certification, the officer under whose cognizance the need arises shall have prepared for the civilian concerned a personnel security questionnaire (WD, PMGO-ID Form 58) which may be procured from local district security officers or Army Service Force representatives. The completed form should be sent in quadruplicate direct to the Chief of Naval Operations (Op30S4), Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C., who will process it as necessary."

-Sec Nav. Ralph A. Bard.

