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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Agreement between British Government Code and
Cipher School and U.S. War Department in regard
to certain "Special Intelligence."

I. Discussion.

1. There is attached an original copy of the agreement between the British Government Code and Cipher School and the U.S. War Department, signed by E. M. Travis, Deputy Director (Services), G.C. and C.S., acting for the British Chiefs of Staff, and by the undersigned, acting for the Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

2. This agreement covers the production, exchange and dissemination of all special intelligence derived by cryptanalysis of the communications of the military and air forces of the Axis powers, including their secret services. It does not cover traffic from non-service enemy or neutral sources. It provides for complete interchange of technical data and special intelligence from the sources covered, through liaison officers stationed at Washington and at London, and for dissemination of such intelligence to all field commanders through special channels and subject to special security regulations. Provision is also made for United States personnel to obtain experience by engaging in the independent solution of keys in Great Britain.

The United States assumes as a main responsibility the reading of Japanese military and air traffic; the British assume a like responsibility for German and Italian military and air traffic.

3. This agreement, when implemented, will enable us to fulfill our immediate needs for special intelligence from these sources and will safeguard our long term interests by allowing us to gain the experience required for achieving independence in this field.

APPROVED

By order of the Secretary of War
JOSEPH T. McNARNEY
Deputy Chief of Staff

II. Action recommended.

Approval of this agreement is recommended.

Approved; by order of the Secretary of War.

JOSEPH T. McNARNEY,
Lieut. General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Staff.

1 Inclosure

Agreement between British
G.C. and C.S. and U.S. War
Department



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