



UNITED STATES  
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

APR 25 1957

Dear Allen:

As you know, plans call for the AEC to occupy its new building near Germantown in November, 1957. Among other items, a separate Special Intelligence communications area is planned for the Germantown building to facilitate cooperative intelligence endeavors. This area will be in the AEC Emergency Relocation Center (ERC) which is in the Germantown building and thus available for use under both normal and national emergency conditions. As discussed by members of our respective staffs, a mutual requirement will exist when the AEC Headquarters moves to the Germantown area for adequate electrical communications means between the Division of Intelligence, AEC, and the Central Intelligence Agency. Specifically, facilities are required between the AEC Division of Intelligence and various components of the Central Intelligence Agency as follows:

- a. With the Office of Scientific Intelligence. For messages classified Top Secret, Restricted Data and Special Intelligence, to enable timely cooperation in various activities of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee.
- b. With the Office of Current Intelligence. For messages classified Top Secret, Special Intelligence to expedite coordination in the emergency activities of the Watch Committee and other emergency activities of the Intelligence Advisory Committee.
- c. With the Office of Foreign Intelligence. For messages classified Top Secret to enable cooperation on urgent matters relating to the Interagency Clandestine Collection Priorities Committee, Interagency Defector Committee and the Interagency Evacuation Committee.

During a time of national emergency rapid and secure communications between our respective ERC headquarters will be essential.

Therefore, your assistance and cooperation is requested in installation of:

- a. A direct crypto-teletype circuit between AEC Headquarters Germantown and CIA Headquarters Washington.

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b. A direct crypto-teletype circuit between AEC Headquarters Germantown and CIA ERC Headquarters.

In addition, it is considered that when the AEC moves to the Germantown area a need will exist for rapid and secure communications between the AEC Headquarters and the National Indications Center, Pentagon, to assure timely and adequate communication in the event of a Watch Committee emergency situation. Thus it would be appreciated if arrangements could be made for connecting the National Indications Center, Pentagon, to the AEC Headquarters Germantown through the existing tie-line between CIA Office of Current Intelligence and the National Indications Center.

If you concur in this request, it would be appreciated if you would designate appropriate personnel in your communications sections with whom Mr. James D. McPherson and Mr. Arthur Williams of AEC Communications Section, along with Dr. C.H. Reichardt of AEC Division of Intelligence, may work out the necessary details.

Sincerely yours,



Chairman

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director of Central Intelligence

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AEC letter, dated 25 April was delivered to my office by Dr. Reichardt at 1100 1 May, & handcarried to DCI's office at 1250 same day.

(Note: no copy of Adm Straus letter attached as you have the original)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

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and is preparing a reply for your signature.

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