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SUBJECT: SSU Stations in London and Paris  
TO: : Director of Central Intelligence

1. SSU STATION IN LONDON

a. The Chief of this Station and senior intelligence officer for SSU in Great Britain is Lt. Commander Winston M. Scott, USNR. Lt. Cmdr. Scott was assistant professor of mathematics at Alabama University, until he was assigned to Havana by the FBI. Later he was recruited by OSS and sent to London in May 1944. Lt. Cmdr. Scott has accomplished his various assignments in London with outstanding ability and success. In particular, his extensive training and experience in the management of double-agents enable him to develop most intimate relations with his British opposites; for a number of months he was in charge of counter-espionage operations directed against Germany and controlled CE units attached to the U.S. Army.

b. SSU Activities in London consist mainly of liaison with MI-6 (British Secret Intelligence Service) and MI-5 (Security of British territories, similar to F.B.I.) The purpose of these liaisons is to collect the maximum quantity of secret intelligence and counter-espionage data from British sources.

In addition, Lt. Cmdr. Scott is Security Officer to the U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain and provides complete visa vetting and tracing services for the U.S. Embassy. Cmdr. Scott can be located at 72 Grosvenor Street, London, W.1; his telephone is Mayfair 1376-7.

To support its liaison activities, the London Station maintains a small administrative staff.

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2. SSU STATION IN PARIS

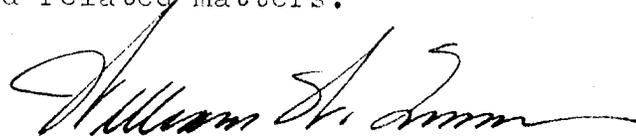
a. The Acting Chief of this Station and senior intelligence officer for SSU in France is Mr. Philip Horton. Mr. Horton was a newspaperman and instructor in English at Harvard University before the war. Since his arrival in Europe in April 1944 Mr. Horton has had a number of highly responsible intelligence assignments. He is unusually qualified to maintain official relations with the French secret intelligence services.

Mr. Horton's office is located at 11 Rue Scribe; his telephone is Opera 3120-3121.

b. SSU Activities in Paris are mainly concerned with liaison with the French SDECE (Securite Documentation et Contre Espionage) for the purpose of collecting the maximum quantity of secret intelligence from French sources. Liaison is also maintained with various French Security agencies to obtain counter-espionage materials.

In addition, SSU provides visa vetting and tracing services for the U. S. Embassy. SSU personnel assigned to this function are attached to and work in the U. S. Embassy under the direction of Mr. Charles Grey.

To support these activities there is a small administrative staff, still under reduction, which is responsible for security, communications, finance, personnel and related matters. (43)



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