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MEMORANDUM FOR: Major L. Lowman

FROM: Lieut Col John V Grombach

After mulling over the OSS radio problems and the progress report I mailed to Colonel Goodfellow with a copy for Colonel Donovan, and all the talk about dark chambers and my going beyond the plan assigned to me, I have come to a rather clean cut decision.

I believe it only fair after what I have accomplished in sixty days on part time loan to the GCI, now the OSS, in the way of setting up the beginning of the OSS world wide communication system, that I receive officially some type of commendation, say to the Chief of the Intelligence Group, Military Intelligence Service, War Department, Munitions Building, Washington, DC (a copy to me). And, depending on whether you and the OSS desire it, and I understand from our conversations that you do, a request that my part time loan be extended on the same basis as heretofore for the purpose of operating the two key installations or merely to aid in further setting up the operation of the OSS Communication system.

I think you will agree that this is very much in order, especially after the many misunderstandings as to what I have been doing, what I have done and what I have been planning and also in light of some remarks and some of the memoranda, one of which I saw myself, from Colonel Donovan about me. If the OSS and you do not desire my further aid in the radio picture then the letter can merely commend what I have done in organizing the initial setup and ask that my part time loan be extended for sufficient time to acquaint you as the newly appointed head of radio with the various equipment, installation and commitments involved. I can then in the next sixty days complete the job started, make one trip to Hollywood to see that the plant out there is completed, report you on the whole setup and then return to my full time assignment with the Military Intelligence Service.

  
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