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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

SUBJECT: Proposed African DCSA Communications Activity

1. A meeting was held in [redacted] office 16 April in order that OC-MD representative could brief OC-E on a proposed African DCSA Communications Activity. The following were in attendance:

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2. [redacted] listed the following African cities as possibly having future communication requirements.

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- 1) [redacted]
- 2) [redacted]
- 3) [redacted]
- 4) [redacted]
- 5) [redacted]
- 6) [redacted]
- 7) [redacted]
- 8) [redacted]
- 9) [redacted]

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3. Various possibilities were discussed for "netting" the [redacted] stations. Because of the distances involved this appears to be quite a problem. One or possibly two sub-base 5 position stations will have to be established. These can work into [redacted] or commercial facilities.

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4. OC-MD indicated that they would obtain propagation prediction curves for the various path involved and study these in detail before levying any exact requirements pertaining to location of the proposed stations.

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5. OC-E will prepare a preliminary cost estimate for the establishment of a net consisting of [REDACTED] stations. The members of the meeting were interested in the current one-position station since the majority of the communications stations in the proposed net will be of that type. Favorable comments were received from the Operating group after review.

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