

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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The National Communications Security Committee

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 Deputy Director for Administration
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NOTE FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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1. In response to your question at this morning's staff meeting, the National Communications Security Committee (NCSC) makes recommendations regarding communications security policy to the Secretary of Defense, who is the executive agent for COMSEC for the U.S. Government.

2. Voting members of the committee are: State, Treasury, Transportation, Energy, Army, Navy, Air Force, NSA, CIA, and the Attorney General. There are numerous other Government agencies who attend the Committee's meetings as observers. The Committee is chaired by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for C³I and its executive secretary is from NSA. The Committee meets, at minimum, twice a year.

3. In connection with COMSEC policies, you should be aware that we have a negotiated agreement with NSA which provides us with an exemption allowing us to produce and employ our own crypto devices for use in agent communications.

4. Please let me know if you desire any additional information on this subject.



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Voting Members

Department of State
Department of Treasury
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Department of Transportation
Department of Energy
Army
Navy
Air Force
Central Intelligence Agency
National Security Agency

Chairman:

Mr. Latham of DOD who will only vote in case of a tie

Observers (Attend all meetings and receive all papers but cannot vote)

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