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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Esterline

SUBJECT

: Procedural Cable

In an attempt to clarify policy and precedence relations between headquarters and LINCOLN, I drafted the attached cable which Col. King proposed to DD/P. The latter for reasons not known to me did not feel the cable necessary and took no action on it.

You should file this appropriately.

Attachment

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[REFERENCE FROM SKILLET TO WHITING SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ANSWERED BY LINC WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL ADDRESSEE.

- 2. HEADQUARTERS DOES NOT CONCUR YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, TO FIELD LIMITING ACTION MESSAGES FOR HEADQUARTERS TO SUBJECTS OUTSIDE PROUCESS. PROUCESS HIGH POLICY MATTERS AND SUBJECTS RELATING TO ODACID REQUIRE HEADQUARTERS APPROVAL.
- 3. CABLES FROM FIELD STATIONS CONCERNING POLICY MATTERS INCLUDING OPERATIONAL MESSAGES WHICH AFFECT RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES WILL BE SENT LINC INFO DIR AT EQUAL PRECEDENCE. HEADQUARTERS WILL DECIDE WHETHER CABLE IS ONE IN WHICH HEADQUARTERS DESIRES PARTICIPATE AND IF SO WILL ADVISE LINC BY TELEPHONE.
- 4. MESSAGES WHICH LOCAL AMBASSADORS DIRECT PERSONALLY TO DIRECTOR
 OR HIS PERSONAL STAFF WILL BE SENT DIR INFO LINC AT EQUAL PRECEDENCE WHETHER
 CONTENTS OPERATIONAL OR NOT. STATION TO DISCOURAGE SUCH PERSONAL MESSAGES
 EXCEPT WHERE CLEARLY APPROPRIATE SUCH AS MATTERS AFFECTING OFFICE POLICY
 OR MATTERS WHICH AMBASSADORS STRONGLY DESIRE HEADQUARTERS POLICY VIEW.
 - 5. ADVISE OF CHANGED INSTRUCTIONS PARA 1 SLINC 1647.
- 6. DUNBAR WILL UNDERSTAND FROM (BARNES) REPORT RE HOLLAND BRIEFING UNQUESTIONABLE NECESSITY APPROPRIATE COORDINATION POLICY MATTERS HEADQUARTERS COMING WEEKS.

