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MEMORANDUM FOR THE STANDING GROUP METEOROLOGICAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Cryptographic Equipment for Meteorological Use

References: a. SGWM-256-57
 b. SGWM-809-56
 c. MC 74
 d. SGM-467-57

1. The CEC has considered reference a and reaffirms the views expressed in reference b.

2. Regarding paragraph 2 of reference a, the Standing Group has approved a report by the CEC on the extension of the use of the TSEC/KL-7 by coastal and inshore minesweepers, fast patrol boats, and long range maritime aircraft. This report is now being considered by the Military Committee under reference c. Of particular significance is the fact that the nations were requested to confirm agreement with the proposed extension observing that the policy would not be implemented until satisfactory financial arrangements have been completed. While the proposed extension had been discussed at length by both ECSA and ENCA and had been recommended in strong terms by the NATO Commanders, it appears that the extension will be approved in principle but that implementation is not likely for some considerable time because of the financial problem. Procurement of additional TSEC/KL-7 equipment to enable implementation of reference c will be not be initiated until each of the nations has settled the financial problem. In view of the foregoing, it is possible that the nations would ^{Not} be in a position to assume the

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additional burden of outfitting their meteorological circuits with KL-7's in the near future.

3. Until the publication of reference d the nations were not aware of the full impact of the MET plan. Accordingly, at this time the quantity of equipment required is not known. ECSA is initiating action to develop a detailed cryptographic plan in support of reference d. While the ECSA plan will be based on use of the CCM, there should be no difference in the quantity requirements for either the CCM or the KL-7.

4. Meanwhile it is suggested that the MET Committee reconsider this requirement in terms of the financial aspects and the probable delay in implementation if eventually approved by the Military Committee. To assist the MET Committee in this restudy the financial planning factors given the nations in reference c stated "For planning purposes a price of \$1458 per equipment may be used (this includes 1 each KLB-7 at \$814, KLA-7 at \$328, KLK-7 at \$80, CE87054 at \$161, CE87066 at \$75). Rotors for use in each equipment would cost approximately \$100 per set." If, after due consideration, the MET Committee decides that their requirement for the KL-7 is firm and is likely to be accepted by the nations for implementation early enough to warrant such an extension, the CEC should be so advised.

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CORRIGENDUM NO. 1

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Holders of SGWM-208-58 (Cryptographic Equipment for Meteorological Use) are requested to amend the last line on page 1 by inserting the word "not" between the words "would" and "be".

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