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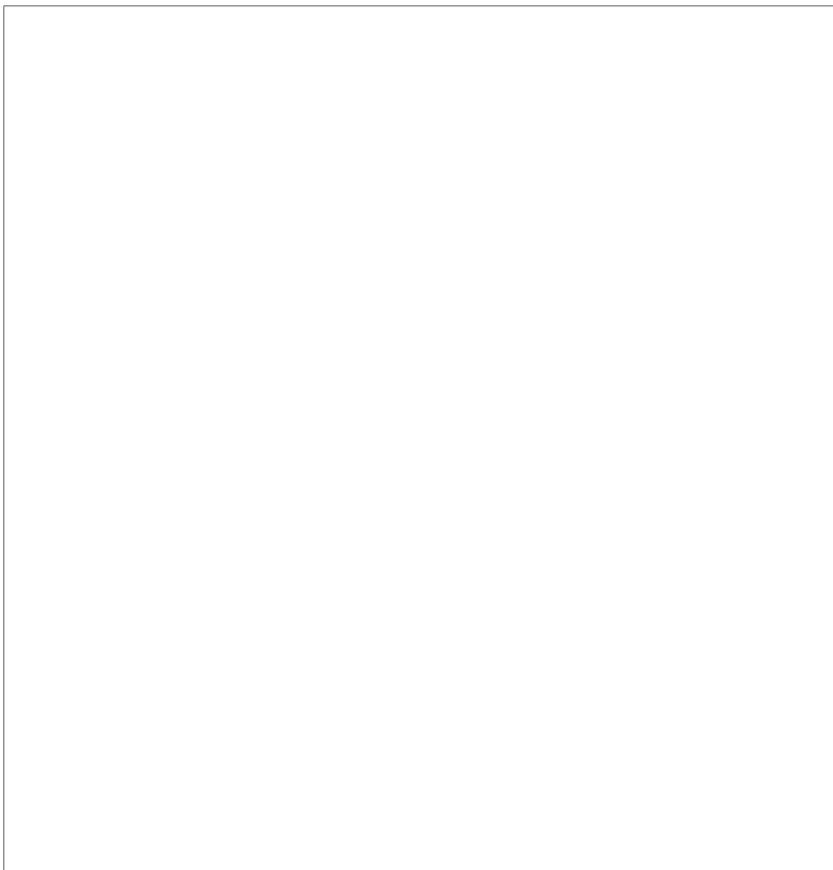
MEMORANDUM FOR:



SUBJECT: Project AQUATONE Revised Communications Table of Organization

1. A revised Communications Table of Organization necessitated by additional commitments and a better understanding of the communications workload imposed by operational requirements is herewith submitted. The Communications I/O is presented in functional unit format for easier identification and more precise definition of the Communications responsibilities.

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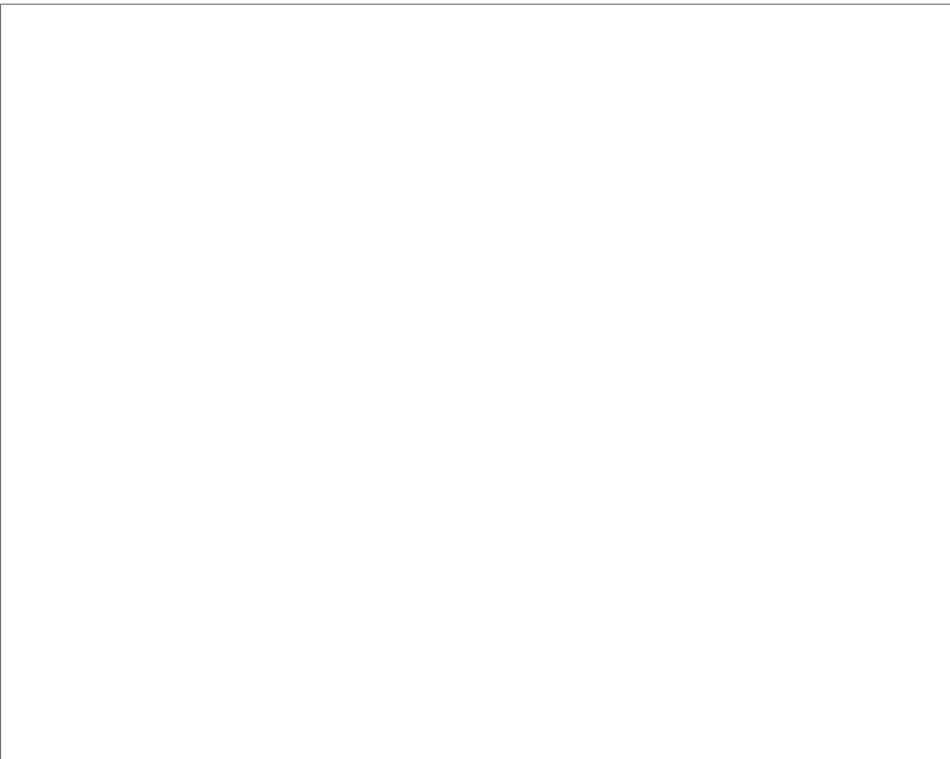
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2. For the information of the Personnel Officer, a brief explanation for each functional unit is presented as follows:

a. The Headquarters component is responsible for the operational and engineering direction and coordination for Project communications and also assists Project Administration with specified administrative support duties.

25X1 b. The Operations Center component will function as the Project Signal Center in Washington. Anticipated Project traffic volumes on an around-the-clock basis dictate a minimal requirement [redacted] cryptographic personnel at the Operations Center.

25X1 c. A requirement for around-the-clock coverage [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] establishes the number of [redacted] cryptographic personnel at this facility.

25X1 d. The Watertown facility will require communications support of [redacted] personnel, as indicated, in addition to the AACS repair section. These personnel will be responsible for supporting the Watertown Signal Center, maintaining the teletype equipment and providing the means for emergency radio communications in the event of landline outage.

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e. The present requirement for an 0600 - 2130 hours local time coverage at the [redacted] communications facility mandates the presence of two cryptographers. A GS-8 is requested for the second cryptographer slot, rather than the usual GS-7, because of the peculiar and varied duties required of the personnel assigned to this activity.

f. The Base A, Base B, and Base C communications teams have been increased by the addition of two cryptographers. This increase is dictated by the 24-hour coverage required at the main bases and by information concerning the voluminous cable traffic and reports which will originate prior and after each sortie.

g. A reserve team or flying squad will be required in Washington, properly trained and experienced, to undertake such emergency trips as necessary and to support the various communications tasks in Headquarters.

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