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Cryptology Expert Honored

An expert in cryptology—Frank Byron Rowlett—received the National Security Medal yesterday for work so secret no details were disclosed.

The citation, read by Director William F. Raborn of the Central Intelligence Agency at a White House ceremony attended by President Johnson, was lavish in praise of Rowlett's contribution to the security of the nation.

But because of the nature of Rowlett's work, it went into no detail as to what he did to earn the high award.

Rowlett is assistant to the director of the National Security Agency, an arm of the Defense Department which is not even listed in the Congressional Directory.

The dictionary defines cryptography as an art of writing in or deciphering secret writing or code.