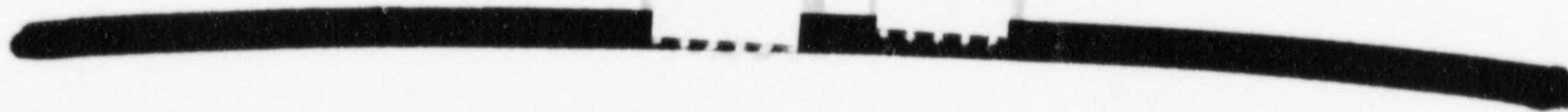


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STATE-ARMY-NAVY-AIR FORCE COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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SANA 5930
2 February 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE MEMBER, SANACC:

Subject: Request of the Australian Government Regarding
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b: SANA-5918

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SANA-5918
26 January 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE MEMBER, SANACC:

Subject: Request of Australian Government Regarding
Location of United States Personnel at Manus

Reference: SANA-5860

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SANA-5860 /
18 December 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NAVY MEMBER, SANACC:

Subject: Request of Australian Government
Regarding Location of U.S. Personnel
at Manus.

The following has been received from the Department
of State:

"The Australian Government has asked officially
that United States personnel remaining on Manus be
installed to the east of the Lorengau River in order
that the facilities to the west of the River may be
utilized by Australian administrative officials.

"The Australian Ambassador called on the
Assistant Secretary of State on December 3, 1947,
to request that United States Military and Naval
personnel on Manus be instructed to occupy quarters
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Australian Government was anxious to re-establish
its civilian administration on the Island and that
its administrative officials desired to re-occupy
the area of land to the west of the River where the
buildings and other installations formerly occupied
and owned by the Australian personnel are situated,
together with Nabu wharf.

"Commenting on this request, the Australian
Embassy has stated informally:

'From charts we have here it seems clear that
the Lorengau River is a short stream emptying
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'You will recall that in his talks with Mr. Armour, the Ambassador mentioned that we understand there would be ample accommodation for the proposed U.S. army personnel on the east side of the river.'

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"The Department of State would appreciate information as to whether the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force can comply with the Australian request, and as to the reply which may be communicated to the Australian Government."

It is requested that the Navy Member advise the State-Army-Navy-Air Force Coordinating Committee of the nature of a reply to be made to the Australian Government by the Department of State.

W. A. SCHULGEN,
Acting Secretary

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FROM: The State Department Member.
SUBJECT: Request of Australian Government Regarding Location
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For CHARLES E. SALTZMAN
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