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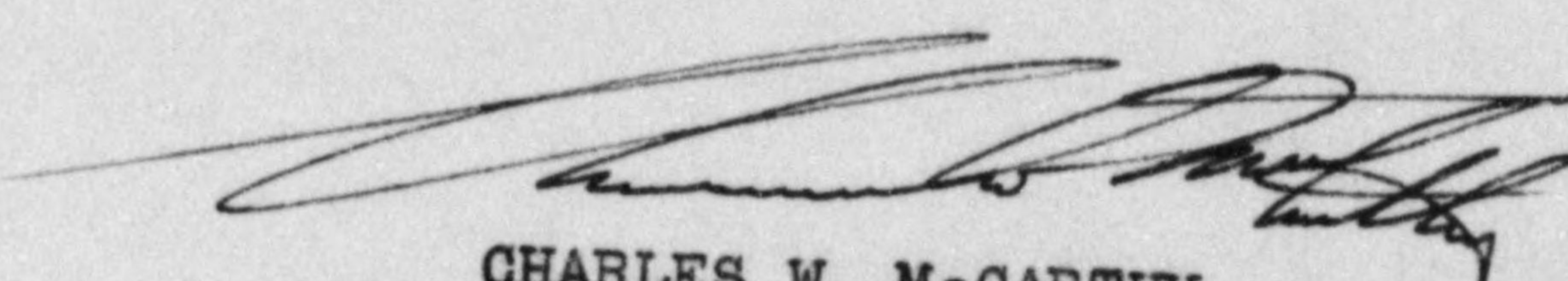
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MR. LOVETT
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It is requested that you indicate your
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CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

APPROVED: W. H. Thorp

DATE: Aug. 9, 1945

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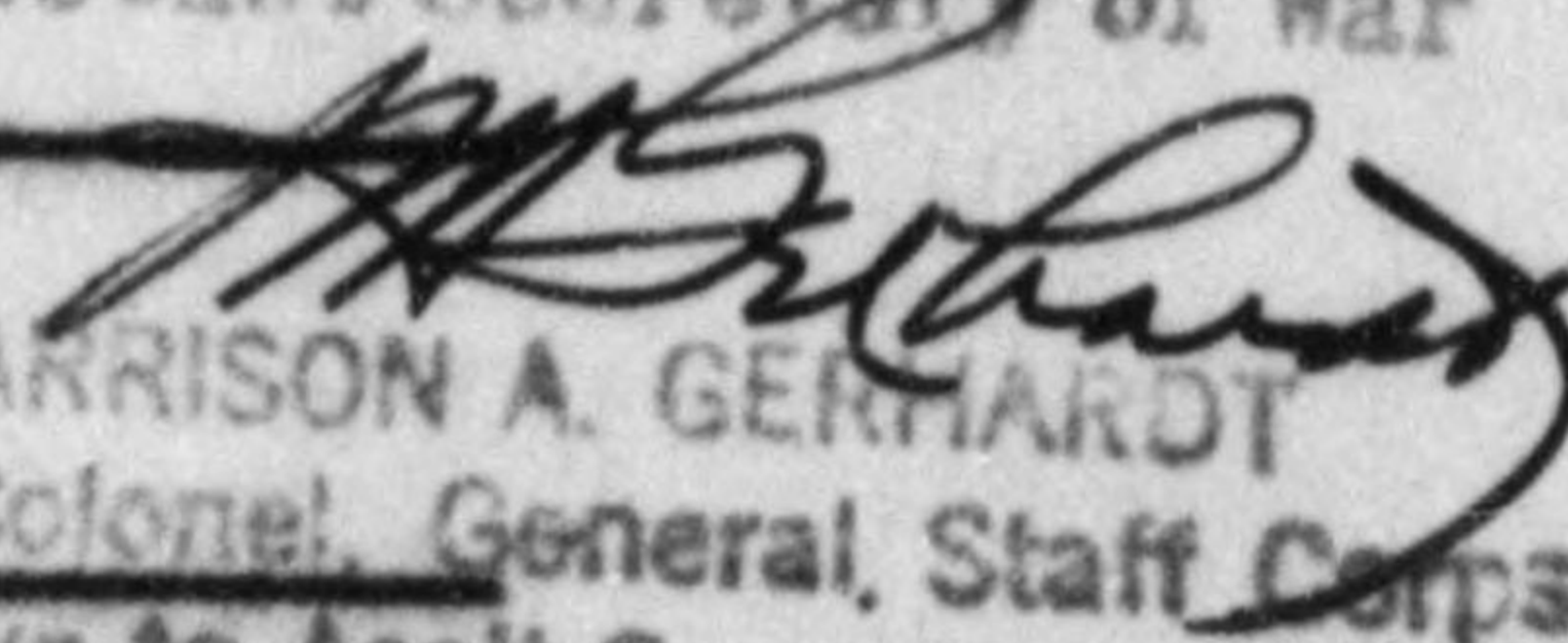
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APPROVED: *In* The Assistant Secretary of War

HARRISON A. GERHARDT
DATE: _____ Colonel, General, Staff Corps
Executive to Ass't Secretary of War

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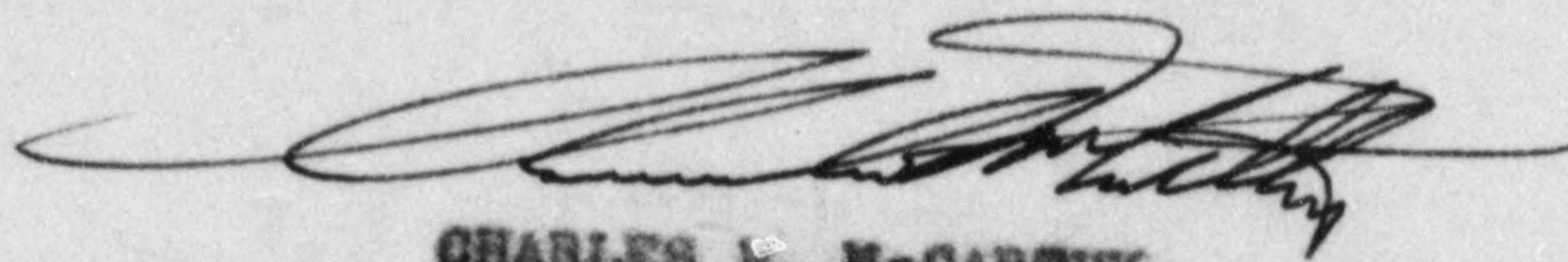
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7 August 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. THORP
MR. LOVETT
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MR. WHITE
MR. FOWLER

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CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

APPROVED: A. L. Gates
DATE: 8 Aug 45

STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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Washington 25, D. C.

7 August 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. THOMP
MR. LOVELL
MR. GATES
MR. WHITE
MR. FOWLER ←

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the Secretariat, IPCSG.

CHARLES V. MCCARTHY
Secretary

APPROVED: H.H. Fowler

DATE: 8/7/45

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7 August 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TRACY
MR. LOVELL
MR. GATES
MR. WHITE
MR. FOYLER

IPSON 8/6, dated 6 August 1945, is
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CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

*Treasury approved
20 August 1945*

APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____

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THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY FOR AIR
WASHINGTON

June 30, 1945

Memorandum for: The Secretariat
State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee

Subject: IPCOG 8/3 and IPCOG 8/4

In view of the highly technical nature of the questions involved in these papers and the complete absence of any naval interest I shall be glad to go along with whatever position the other members take without attempting to express any opinion on behalf of the Navy.

A. L. Gates

29 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MATTHEWS,
MR. GATES,
MR. WHITE,
MR. FOWLER:

1. The enclosure, IPCOG 8/3, a revision of IPCOG 8/1, as recommended by the Assistant Secretary of War, is circulated for consideration and informal approval of the Informal Policy Committee on Germany. The Assistant Secretary of War requests that clearance of the report be treated as a matter of priority in view of the desirability of its being issued prior to termination of SHAEF.

2. It is requested that you indicate your concurrence or comment hereon and return to the Secretariat, IPCOG.

3. This enclosure supersedes IPCOG 8, dated 9 June 1945 and if approved by the Informal Policy Committee on Germany will be used by this country as its position on the Combined Civil Affairs Committee.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

Enclosure

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29 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MATTHEWS,
MR. GATES,
MR. WHITE,
MR. FOWLER:

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CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

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**THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**



THE COMBINED CIVIL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4 September 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY, STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Subject: Non-German Currencies Uncovered by Allied Military Forces in Germany and Austria.

Through: The U.S. Secretary, Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Enclosure: Copy no. 35, GOV 429.

- References:
- a. IPCOG 8
 - b. IPCOG 8/3
 - c. IPCOG 8/6
 - d. IPCOG 8/9

1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 30 August 1945, addressed to the U.S. Secretary, Combined Chiefs of Staff, requesting that the draft cable contained in the Appendix of IPCOG 8/6 be dispatched to the Commanding General, USFET, and repeated to the British Chiefs of Staff.

2. As requested, a copy of the cable (GOV 429) forwarded to the Commanding General, USFET, is furnished you for information and record.

W. M. Cameron
WARDE M. CAMERON,
U.S. Secretary.

COL. MCCARTHY	SWNCG	
COMDR. RICHARDSON		
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THE COMBINED CIVIL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4 September 1945

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**WARDE M. CAMERON,
U.S. Secretary.****CONFIDENTIAL**DECLASSIFIED BY: *TJ*
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3 September 1945

Commanding General, US Forces, European Theater, Main
 Frankfurt, Germany

Combined Administrative Liquidation Agency, Versailles, France

Commanding General, United Kingdom Base Section, London,
 England

British Joint Staff Mission, Washington, D. C.

Number: WARX 59041

To USFET for GES repeated information CALA and UK Base
 Section for CCAC/L, and repeated AMES O for BCS.

This is GOV 429. Refer VOG 459, VOG 507, GOV 370. Disposition
 of non German currencies uncovered by Allied military forces
 in Germany.

1. Disposition to be made of non German currencies uncovered
 in Germany and related questions are for determination at
 appropriate intergovernmental level. Until such time as
 determination is made, such currencies will be held in custody
 of military authorities now having custody such currencies.
 You are authorized to reply accordingly to any request for
 delivery non German currencies captured in Germany by allied
 forces.

3. This message has United States/United Kingdom approval.

NOTE: VOG 459 (CM-IN 29285) 31 May
 VOG 507 (CM-IN 14755) 16 Jun End
 GOV 370 (CM-OUT 15502) (Jun 45)

ORIGINATOR: CCAC

INFORMATION: ASF, CC/S, OPD, G-2, Adm King, Mr. McCloy,
 Bud Div.

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 THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



THE COMBINED CIVIL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4 September 1945

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY, STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING
 COMMITTEE:**

Subject: Non-German Currencies Uncovered by Allied Military Forces in Germany and Austria.

Through: The U.S. Secretary, Combined Chiefs of Staff.

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1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 30 August 1945, addressed to the U.S. Secretary, Combined Chiefs of Staff, requesting that the draft cable contained in the Appendix of IPCOG 8/6 be dispatched to the Commanding General, USPET, and reported to the British Chiefs of Staff.

2. As requested, a copy of the cable (GOV 429) forwarded to the Commanding General, USPET, is furnished you for information and record.

Ward M. Cameron

WARDE M. CAMERON,
 U.S. Secretary.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE U. S. SECRETARY OF THE COMBINED CIVIL
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Subject: Non-German Currencies Uncovered by
Allied Military Forces in Germany
and Austria.

Enclosure: Memorandum for the U. S. Secretary,
Combined Chiefs of Staff, dated
30 August 1945, same subject as
above. (Copy 32 of IPCOG 8/6).

The enclosure is forwarded to the U. S. Secre-
tary of the Combined Civil Affairs Committee for appro-
priate action.

Attention is invited to the request contained
in paragraph 3 of the enclosure.

(SIGNED)

C. R. PECK,
Colonel, Infantry,
Executive Secretary.

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THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



30 August 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE U.S. SECRETARY, COMBINED CHIEFS
OF STAFF:

Subject: Non-German Currencies Uncovered by
Allied Military Forces in Germany
and Austria.

References: a. IPCOG 8
b. IPCOG 8/3
c. IPCOG 8/6
d. IPCOG 8/9

1. Attached is a copy of IPCOG 8/6 which was approved informally by the Informal Policy Committee on Germany on 29 August 1946, (IPCOG 8/9).

2. A copy of the draft cable contained in the Appendix of IPCOG 8/6 is attached hereto for transmission to the Commanding General, USFET, and to be repeated to the British Chiefs of Staff.

3. It is requested that a copy of the cable forwarded to the Commanding General, USFET, be sent to this Secretariat as a matter for information and record.

For the Informal Policy Committee on Germany:

CHARLES V. McGARTHEY
Secretary

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1. IPCOG 8/6, Copy No. 32
2. Copy draft cable

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DRAFT CABLE TO CG, USFET FROM CGS (REPEAT TO
BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF)

Subject: Disposition of non-German currencies uncovered
by Allied Military Forces in Germany. VOGs
489 and 507; GOV 370

The disposition to be made of non-German currencies uncovered in Germany and related questions are for determination at the appropriate inter-Governmental level. Until such time as a determination is made, such currencies will be held in the custody of the military authorities now having custody of such currencies. You are authorized to reply accordingly to any request for delivery of non-German currencies captured in Germany by Allied Forces.

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S E C R E TCOPY NO. 40IPCOG 8/930 August 1945INFORMAL POLICY COMMITTEE ON GERMANYNON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED MILITARY
FORCES IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIAReferences: a. IPCOG 8
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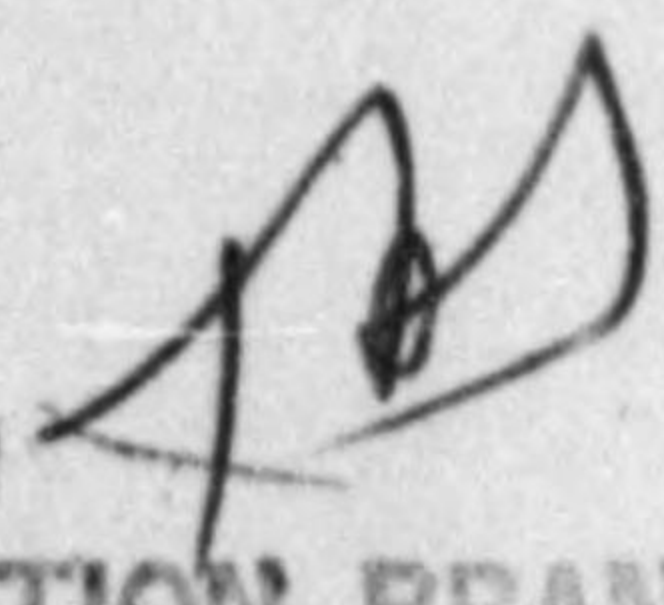
By informal action on 29 August 1945, the Informal Policy Committee on Germany approved IPCOG 8/6, and the draft cable at the Appendix thereto was forwarded to the U.S. Secretary, Combined Chiefs of Staff for transmission to the Commanding General, USFET, and repeated to the British Chiefs of Staff.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY

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Secretariat

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S E C R E TCOPY NO. 40IPCOG 8/66 August 1945Pages 21 - 23, Incl.INFORMAL POLICY COMMITTEE ON GERMANYNON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED MILITARY
FORCES IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIAReference: a. IPCOG 8/3Note by the Secretaries

The Enclosure, a report by the Working Party of the Informal Policy Committee on Germany amending the information contained in the Enclosure to reference a above, is circulated for consideration by the Committee in connection with their consideration of IPCOG 8/3.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY

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ENCLOSURE

NON-GERMANY CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED
MILITARY FORCES IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

Report by the Working Party of the
Informal Policy Committee on Germany

THE PROBLEM

1. To determine the disposition of non-German currencies uncovered by Allied forces in Germany.*

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

2. Non-German currencies have been uncovered at various points in Germany by Allied forces. According to paragraph 6 (e) of Appendix "C" of CCS 551/5 (C.C.A.C. 69/10), subject: Financial Guide for Germany, which was dispatched to SCAEF on 26 August 1944, SCAEF was instructed to impound or block all foreign currencies held by or on behalf of persons specified in the instructions. Presumably foreign currencies have also been captured by the Russian forces in that portion of Germany occupied by them.

3. VOG 459 states that 540,340 Russian roubles have been uncovered among other non-German currencies in the offices of the former Nazi Government at Flensburg, Germany, by a SHAEF control party OKW; also that the Russian Mission, in conjunction with which an accounting for these currencies was made, has requested that the rouble currency immediately be delivered to it. SHAEF initially refused this request, but cabled CCS for guidance when the Russian request for delivery was renewed. In VOG 507, dated 15 June 1945, SCAEF requested a prompt reply in the matter.

4. On June 4, 1945, the French government initiated a conversion of the French currency, in accordance with which all franc currency not exchanged prior to June 15 became invalid. In GOV 370, instructions were given to hold French

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RECOMMENDATIONS

5. It is recommended that:

a. Since the problem of the disposition to be made of non-German currencies uncovered in Germany is closely related to questions of policy concerning reparation and restitution and is, therefore, a matter for inter-governmental determination, such currencies should continue in the custody of the military authorities now having custody of them pending decision at the appropriate inter-governmental level.

b. The draft cable at the Appendix be transmitted by CCS to the Commanding General USFET, and be repeated to the British Chiefs of Staff.

S E C R E TA P P E N D I XDRAFT CABLE TO CG, USFET FROM CCS (REPEAT TO BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF)

Subject: Disposition of non-German currencies uncovered by Allied Military Forces in Germany. VOGs 459 and 507; GOV 370.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

COPY*Office Memorandum* · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: August 4, 1945

TO : SWNCC-IPCOG Secretariat
Major Gunther
FROM : A-C : Mr. J.C. deWilde
SUBJECT: Non-German Currencies

SECRET

Attached is a report on non-German currencies uncovered in Germany approved by the IPCOG Working Party on August 3, 1945. Please circulate it for final approval by IPCOG.

I notice that the last report (July 31) on Status of Papers in IPCOG states that the report on IPCOG 8/2 is awaiting consideration by IPCOG. I suggest you list that report as "completed." Action on the recommendations of the Working Party report was taken prior to reference to IPCOG owing to the urgency of the question.

A-C:JCdeWilde:est

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INFORMAL POLICY COMMITTEE ON GERMANY

NON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED IN GERMANY

Reference: a. IPCOG 8
b. IPCOG 8/2
c. IPCOG 8/3

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6. ~~That~~ the draft cable at ^{the} Appendix ~~2~~ be transmitted by CCS to the Commanding General, USFET, and be repeated to the British Chiefs of Staff.

APPENDIX A

Draft Cable to CG, USFET from CCS (Repeat to British Chiefs of Staff)

Subject: Disposition of non-German currencies uncovered by Allied Military Forces in Germany. VOGs 459 and 507; GOV 370.

The disposition to be made of non-German currencies uncovered in Germany and related questions are for determination at the appropriate inter-Governmental level. Until such time as a determination is made, such currencies will be held in the custody of the military authorities now having custody of such currencies. You are authorized to reply accordingly to any request for delivery of non-German currencies captured in Germany by Allied Forces.

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29 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MATTHEWS,
MR. GATES,
MR. WHITE,
MR. FOWLER:

1. The enclosure, IPGOG 8/3, a revision of IPGOG 8/1, as recommended by the Assistant Secretary of War, is circulated for consideration and informal approval of the Informal Policy Committee on Germany. The Assistant Secretary of War requests that clearance of the report be treated as a matter of priority in view of the desirability of its being issued prior to termination of SHAEF.
2. It is requested that you indicate your concurrence or comment hereon and return to the Secretariat, IPGOG.
3. This enclosure supersedes IPGOG 8, dated 9 June 1945 and if approved by the Informal Policy Committee on Germany will be used by this country as its position on the Combined Civil Affairs Committee.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

Enclosure

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SECRETCOPY NO. 40IPCOG 8/328 June 1945Pages 11 to 14. Incl.INFORMAL POLICY COMMITTEE ON GERMANYNON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED MILITARY FORCES
IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIAReference: a. IPCOG 8Note by the Secretaries

1. The enclosure, a revision of IPCOG 8, as recommended by the Assistant Secretary of War, is circulated for consideration of the Informal Policy Committee on Germany. In his memorandum forwarding the enclosure to the Secretariat, the Assistant Secretary of War requests that clearance of the report be treated as a matter of priority in view of the desirability of its being issued prior to the termination of SHAEF.

2. If approved by the Committee, the enclosure will be used by this country as its position on the Combined Civil Affairs Committee.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY

ALVIN F. RICHARDSON

RAYMOND E. COX

Secretariat

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IPCOG 8/3

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NON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED MILITARY FORCES
IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

THE PROBLEM

1. To determine the disposition of Russian rouble and other non-German currencies uncovered by Allied military forces in Germany and Austria.

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

2. VOG 459 states that 540,340 Russian roubles have been uncovered among other non-German currencies in the offices of the former Nazi Government at Flensburg, Germany, by a SHAEF control party OKW; also that the Russian Mission, in conjunction with which an accounting for these currencies was made, has requested that the above-mentioned Russian rouble currency be delivered immediately to the Russians.

3. VOG 459 reports further that upon refusal of SCAEF to make such delivery, pending determination of disposition by proper authority, the Russian Mission has renewed its request for immediate delivery of this Russian rouble currency. In VOG 507, dated 15 June 1945, SCAEF has requested prompt reply in this matter, stating that the SHAEF control party may move from Flensburg at an early date.

4. SCAEF has also pointed out that similar questions may arise in connection with the uncovering of other non-German currencies and states that his interpretation of existing C.C.S. directives is that such directives do not authorize the release of captured foreign exchange.

5. SCAEF has accordingly requested guidance from C.C.S. as to whether the above-mentioned Russian rouble currency should be delivered to the Russians; also whether, in case this Russian rouble currency is turned over to the Russians, captured French francs should likewise be delivered to the French.

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6. In paragraph 6 e of Appendix "C" of C.C.S. 551/5 (CCAG 69/10) subject: Financial Guide for Germany, which was approved by C.C.S. in C.C.S. 551/7 and dispatched to SCAEF on 26 August 1944, SCAEF was given instructions to the effect that, pending determination of future disposition, all gold, foreign currencies, foreign securities, accounts in financial institutions, credits, valuable papers and all similar assets, held by or on behalf of persons specified in the instructions would be impounded or blocked and would be used or otherwise dealt with only as permitted under licenses or other instructions which SCAEF might issue.

7. In GOV 370, SCAEF has been given instructions as to present disposition of French franc currency uncovered at Merkers, Germany, by U.S. elements of Allied military forces.

DISCUSSION

8. Distinction should be made between the combined control of currencies uncovered by Allied forces and the physical custody thereof; also between accounting for such currencies and ultimate title thereto on the one hand and disposition of the physical currency on the other.

9. Pending further disposition, the subject currencies have presumably been taken into Allied military accounts (SHAEF Currency Sections for Germany and Austria, respectively), in conformity with SHAEF administrative instructions and Military Government laws based on the C.C.S. directive referred to in paragraph 6 above.

10. SCAEF's action in refusing to deliver the subject Russian roubles to the Russians is proper. Matters of reparation and restitution are involved. However, no objection is seen to the turning over now to the Russians of the physical Russian rouble currency mentioned above nor to the turning over to governments of other United Nations, respectively, the physical currencies

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of such nations uncovered in Germany and Austria by Allied military forces, including all elements thereof, provided that adequate safeguards are taken by SCAEF as to ultimate title to currencies so turned over.

CONCLUSIONS

11. That SCAEF should be authorized to turn over at his discretion the above-mentioned 540,340 Russian rouble and other Russian currencies uncovered in Germany and Austria by Allied Military forces, including all elements thereof, to the Russians, provided that

a. records are kept by SCAEF of the identification numbers of the notes so delivered and of the circumstances under which the currency was found;

b. recipient governments agree to hold themselves accountable to the United Nations for currency so delivered in accordance with the principles which may be agreed upon by the governments regarding the treatment of captured or surrendered Allied currencies as restitution or reparation;

c. no gold coin or bullion is released under these agreements.

12. That, with the exception of French franc currency covered by GOV 370, regarding which SCAEF should receive further instructions separately, SCAEF should be authorized to turn over at his discretion to the governments of other United Nations, respectively, the physical currencies of such nations uncovered by Allied forces, including all elements thereof, provided that the safeguards set forth in paragraph 11 above are observed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

13. That the attached cable (Appendix) be dispatched to Supreme Commander, AEF.

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APPENDIX

DRAFT CABLE TO SCAEF FROM C.C.S. (OCAF)

Subject: Disposition of Russian rouble and other non-German currencies uncovered by Allied military forces in Germany and Austria. Reference: VOGs 459 and 507; GOV 370.

1. Your action in refusing to deliver to the Russians, pending further instructions, Russian roubles uncovered by Allied party at Flensburg is approved. However, you are now authorized to take action relative to Russian roubles mentioned in VOGs 459 and 507 in accordance with following general rulings:

a. You are authorized to turn over at your discretion Russian rouble currency uncovered in Germany and Austria by Allied military forces, including all elements thereof, to the Russians, provided that

(1) records are kept by you of the identification numbers of the notes so delivered and of the circumstances under which the currency was found;

(2) recipient governments agree to hold themselves accountable to the United Nations for currency so delivered in accordance with the principles which may be agreed upon by the governments regarding the treatment of captured or surrendered Allied currencies as restitution or reparation;

(3) no gold coin or bullion is released under these agreements.

b. With the exception of French franc currency covered by GOV 370, regarding which you will receive further instructions separately, you are authorized to turn over at your discretion to the governments of other United Nations, respectively, physical currencies thereof uncovered by Allied military forces, including all elements thereof, provided that safeguards as set forth in subparagraph a above are observed.

SECRETWAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

28 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARIAT, IPCOG:

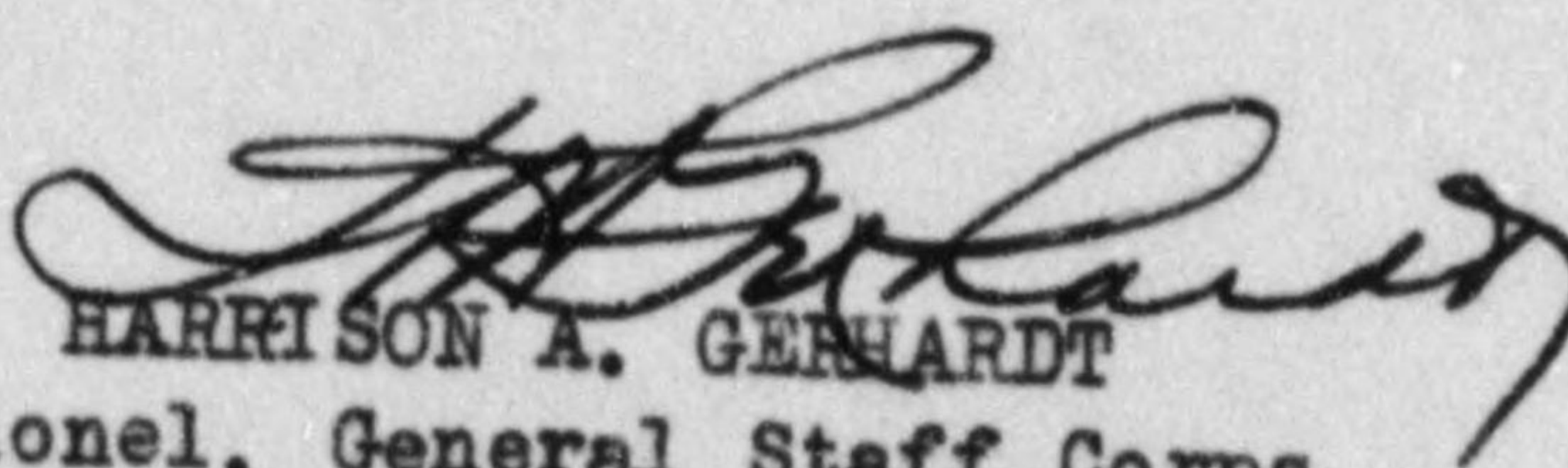
Subject: Russian Ruble Currency Uncovered by Allied Forces. (IPCOG 8)

Reference is made to your memorandum of 9 June 1945 requesting concurrence or comment on the subject paper. It is desired that the attached Enclosure be substituted for pages 1 to 3, inclusive, of IPCOG 8.

It is requested that this paper be circulated for informal clearance as a matter of priority in view of the desirability of its being issued prior to the termination of SHAEF.

If approved, this paper will be used by this country as its position on the CCAC.

FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR.



HARRISON A. GERHARDT
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Executive to Ass't Secretary of War

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Enclosure Non-German Currencies Uncovered by Allied Military Forces in Germany and Austria.

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ENCLOSURE

NON-GERMAN CURRENCIES UNCOVERED BY ALLIED MILITARY FORCES IN
GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

THE PROBLEM

1. To determine the disposition of Russian rouble and other non-German currencies uncovered by Allied military forces in Germany and Austria.

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

2. VOG 459 states that 540,340 Russian roubles have been uncovered among other non-German currencies in the offices of the former Nazi Government at Flensburg, Germany by a SHAEF control party OKW; also that the Russian Mission, in conjunction with which an accounting for these currencies was made, has requested that the above-mentioned Russian rouble currency be delivered immediately to the Russians.

3. VOG 459 reports further that upon refusal of SCAEF to make such delivery, pending determination of disposition by proper authority, the Russian Mission has renewed its request for immediate delivery of this Russian rouble currency. In VOG 507, dated 15 June 1945, SCAEF has requested prompt reply in this matter, stating that the SHAEF control party may move from Flensburg at an early date.

4. SCAEF has also pointed out that similar questions may arise in connection with the uncovering of other non-German currencies and states that his interpretation of existing CCS directives is that such directives do not authorize the release of captured foreign exchange.

5. SCAEF has accordingly requested guidance from CCS as to whether the above-mentioned Russian rouble currency should be delivered to the Russians; also whether, in case this Russian rouble currency is turned over to the Russians, captured French francs should likewise be delivered to the French.

6. In paragraph 6e of Appendix "C" of CCS 551/5 (CCAC 69/10) subject: Financial Guide for Germany, which was approved by CCS in CCS 551/7 and dispatched to SCAEF on 26 August 1944, SCAEF was given instructions to the effect that, pending determination of future disposition, all gold, foreign currencies, foreign securities, accounts in financial institutions, credits, valuable papers and

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all similar assets, held by or on behalf of persons specified in the instructions would be impounded or blocked and would be used or otherwise dealt with only as permitted under licenses or other instructions which SCAEF might issue.

7. In GOV 370, SCAEF has been given instructions as to present disposition of French franc currency uncovered at Merkers, Germany, by U.S. elements of Allied military forces.

DISCUSSION

8. Distinction should be made between the combined control of currencies uncovered by Allied forces and the physical custody thereof; also between accounting for such currencies and ultimate title thereto on the one hand and disposition of the physical currency on the other.

9. Pending further disposition, the subject currencies have presumably been taken into Allied military accounts (SHAEF Currency Sections for Germany and Austria, respectively), in conformity with SHAEF administrative instructions and Military Government laws based on the CCS directive referred to in paragraph 6 above.

10. SCAEF's action in refusing to deliver the subject Russian roubles to the Russians is proper. Matters of reparation and restitution are involved. However, no objection is seen to the turning over now to the Russians of the physical Russian rouble currency mentioned above nor to the turning over to governments of other United Nations, respectively, the physical currencies of such nations uncovered in Germany and Austria by Allied military forces, including all elements thereof, provided that adequate safeguards are taken by SCAEF as to ultimate title to currencies so turned over.

CONCLUSIONS

11. That SCAEF should be authorized to turn over at his discretion the above-mentioned 540,340 Russian rouble and other Russian currencies uncovered in Germany and Austria by Allied military forces, including all elements thereof, to the Russians, provided that

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RECOMMENDATION

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THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

9 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CLAYTON
MR. McCLOY
MR. GATES
MR. WHITE
MR. FOWLER ←

IPCOG 8, dated 9 June 1945, is circulated for consideration and informal approval by IPCOG.

It is requested that you indicate your concurrence or comment hereon and return to the Secretariat, SWNCC.

If approved, this paper will be used as this Government's position by the United States members of the Combined Civil Affairs Committee.

W. H. Field
CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

APPROVED: Henry H. Fowler

DATE: June 12, 1945

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Shield for
CHARLES W. MCCARTHY
Secretary

APPROVED: A. L. Gates

DATE: _____

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Filed for
CHARLES W. MCCLOY
Secretary

APPROVED: *W.P. White*

DATE: *June 11, 1945*

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9 June 1945

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CHARLES W. MCCARTHY
Secretary

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SECRETCOPY NO. 40IPCOG 89 June 1945Pages 1 to 3, Incl.INFORMAL POLICY COMMITTEE ON GERMANYRUSSIAN RUBLE CURRENCY UNCOVERED BY ALLIED FORCESNote by the Secretaries

The enclosure, a study by the Treasury Department, prepared in consultation with other working members of IPCOG, is circulated for consideration by the Informal Policy Committee on Germany.

CHARLES W. McCARTHY

ALVIN F. RICHARDSON

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Secretariat

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ENCLOSURE "A"

RUSSIAN RUBLE CURRENCY UNCOVERED BY ALLIED FORCES

THE PROBLEM

1. To determine the disposition of Russian ruble currency uncovered by Allied forces.

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

2. Valuables uncovered by Allied forces in Germany include 540,340 Russian rubles. The uncovering of this currency was reported by the SHAEF Control Group OKW at Flensburg.

3. This currency has presumably not been taken into Allied accounts.

4. According to VOG 459, dated 30 May 1945, the mission representing the Russian Government has requested that this currency be turned over to it at once. SHAEF has refused this request. The Russian mission has now renewed its request and SHAEF has requested guidance.

5. SHAEF points out that similar questions may arise in connection with the capture of currencies of the Netherlands, France and Belgium.

DISCUSSION

6. An equitable disposition of the uncovered Russian rubles as well as other currencies and treasures cannot be determined except in the light of other related problems involving reparations and restitution.

7. It is therefore considered desirable that the disposition of all currency and other treasures uncovered by Allied armed forces in Germany be held in abeyance until such time as determination of this and other related questions may be made at the appropriate intergovernmental level.

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CONCLUSIONS

8. The Russian Government should be informed that all currencies uncovered by Allied Armed forces in Germany are being held in custody until such time as their disposition and other related questions may be determined at the appropriate inter-governmental level. If similar questions are raised by other Allied governments, they should be similarly informed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

9. It is recommended that the attached cable be dispatched.

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S E C R E TENCLOSURE "B"PROPOSED CABLE TO SHAEF

Reference: VOG 459

1. Russian ruble currency found in German government offices and all other currencies uncovered in Germany will be held in the unqualified custodianship of the forces uncovering such currency until such time as the disposition of this currency and other related questions may be determined at the appropriate intergovernmental level. You are authorized to inform the USSR Mission accordingly.

2. In the event that other governments raise similar questions with respect to their currencies, you are authorized to inform them in a similar manner.

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COMBINED CIVIL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
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