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Standing Group

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25 July 1955

By JACOBE Date 24-11-99

MEMORANDUM FOR: Ministry of Defense, Ottawa, Canada
Ministry of Defense, London, England
Supreme Allied Commander Europe
Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic
Channel Committee

SUBJECT: Use of the Cryptographic Machine ROCKEX for All
Classifications of Traffic

1. On 25 July 1955 the Standing Group approved the use by the
United Kingdom and Canada of the off-line one-time tape cypher machine
known as ROCKEX for the transmission of COSMIC and of all classifica-
tions of NATO traffic.

2. There are no surplus ROCKEX machines at the present time and
therefore the machine cannot be made available for use by NATO commands
or by other NATO countries.

FOR THE STANDING GROUP:

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