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TO : The Director

DATE: July 12, 1946

FROM : The Executive Conference

SUBJECT: *Russian War Plans*

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

At a meeting of the Executive Conference on July 12, 1946, attended by Messrs. Tolson, Glavin, Rosen, Harbo, Nichols, Tracy and Ladd, the inquiry of Colonel Forney as to whether the FBI was willing to assume counterintelligence coverage of all of Alaska was discussed. It was pointed out that Colonel Forney had informed the Liaison Section of the Bureau that a top secret report had been received indicating that as a result of the Canadians activities in the Corby case, the Russians were doubling their efforts to place agents in Greenland and Alaska. It was further pointed out that at the present time the Army has jurisdiction in the Aleutian Islands and a small section of Alaska. The Conference was advised that in the early days of the war, the Navy had this jurisdiction in view of the fact that it was impossible for the Bureau Agents to get out to the islands and isolated points without the use of boats; that as the Army increased its activities in Alaska during the war they took over the jurisdiction for that portion of Alaska.

Messrs. Tolson, Glavin, Rosen, Harbo, Nichols, ^{TAMM} and Ladd recommend that the Bureau not agree to any change in the delimitation agreement giving the Bureau jurisdiction in intelligence matters over all of Alaska; first, because of lack of personnel in Alaska and second, for the reason that access to the Aleutian Islands and that area now handled by the Army would be difficult without the use of boats or planes, neither of which the Bureau has.

Mr. Tracy recommends that the Bureau assume full jurisdiction. He pointed out that if we do not do so, the National Intelligence Authority may work itself into this picture.

Respectfully,
For the Conference

Clyde Tolson

E. A. Tamm

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cc - Mr. Clegg
Mr. Hendon

*Get more details from
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