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Commanding Generals,
Army Air Forces
All Defense Commands
All Overseas Bases
All Theaters of Operations
Commanding Officer,
136th Radio Security Detachment,
Reading Army Air Field, Pennsylvania

Reading Army Air Field, Pennsylvania

1. There are a number of Radio Security Sections presently operating in the various theaters or which will be committed to the theaters at a later date. These sections are elements of the 136th Radio Security Detachment which is assigned to Headquarters, Army Air Forces, and which is under

- 2. Radio Security Sections committed to a theater will be attached by the Theater Commander to an established unit for administration, supply, rations, quarters, hospitalisation and courts-martial jurisdiction. Mormally, these sections are provided with all authorised individual and organisational equipment upon departure from the continental limits of the United States.
- 3. Personnel will not be reassigned or detached to any other unit without prior concurrence of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces. No additional duties will be assigned personnel of these sections other than those required for the unit to maintain its own operational functions.

the operational and functional jurisdiction of the Air Communications Officer. These sections are not charged to the Troop Basis of the theaters

4. The operational function of each Radio Security Section is the monitoring for security purposes of Army Air Forces radio note and the processing and analysing of such intercepted radio traffic. Menitoring reports of Army Airways Communications System and other Army Air Force radio note under control of Headquarters, Army Air Forces, will be submitted by the Radio Security Sections to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, with a copy of such reports to the Theater Air Force Commander concerned. Monitoring reports of the Theater Air Force radio note will be

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submitted by the Radio Security Sections to the Theater Air Force Commander conserved with a copy of such reports to the Commanding General, army Air Forces.

- 5. Special assignments for the monitoring of Army Airways Communications System and other Army Air Force radio nets under centrol of Head-quarters, Army Air Forces, may be made by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.
- 6. These sections are authorised direct communication with the Commanding Officer, 136th Radio Security Detachment, Reading Army Air Field, Reading, Pennsylvania.
  - 7. Reference is made to the following publications:

a. Circular 386, War Department, 1944.

- b. Army Air Forces Regulations 20-1, 20-1A, 20-1B, 20-46, 1 September 1944, 1 October 1944, 1 December 1944 and 2 October 1944, respectively.
- c. Army Air Forces Manual 100-2, 19 June 1944, subject: "Head-quarters, 136th Radio Security Detachment and Radio Security Sections, Army Air Forces".

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