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Defence Signals Branch,
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Victoria Barracks,
Melbourne.

INFUSE

file held
MH/HR

16th May, 1956.

I noticed in a recent paper from G.C.H.Q., (D/9815 of 11th April recording the minutes of a special meeting held on 29th March) that there is a possibility that INFUSE will be delayed in order to hasten the completion of COLOROB. Whilst I am sure that D.S.B. would not question the necessity of this, in view of the Middle East situation, it would be useful to know as soon as possible whether the delivery dates of INFUSE are going to be significantly affected.

2. We are still hoping to send Singleton to you this or next month, but are having some difficulty over it. It is now unlikely that he will leave Australia (by air) until ^{late} June or July. His tour overseas must not exceed twelve months. If therefore INFUSE is to be delayed very much, it might be better not to let Singleton leave quite so early.

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EXTRACT FROM D/9815
dated 11/4/56

(Meeting in CCHA 29/3/56.
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4. DM said that Colorob would be ready by the height of the summer if INFUSE could be delayed and if B would agree to dispense with the normal tendering procedure. The core storage and the arithmetic unit would be ready but the contract for the ventilating equipment which was being designed by G.C.H.Q. had not yet been placed. If competitive tenders had to be obtained for this ventilating equipment, Colorob would not be working this summer.

5. H agreed that INFUSE could be delayed and the Chairman asked how long pre-operational testing would take. W65 said that the five programmes had been written, though not tested, that only four programmers were available and by September the position would be very difficult as two of these would have left. W65 said that if Colorob was going to be ready in June/July he required staff now as they had to be trained. Staff could not be provided from within W.

6. The Chairman decided that :-

- (a) B should be asked to place the contract for Colorob ventilating equipment without calling for competitive tenders.
(Action : Secretary)
- (b) DM should investigate the need to divert staff from INFUSE to COLOROB and report to AD1.
(Action : DM)
- (c) W65 should state what staff he would need for Colorob and for operating Cleopatra on two and on three shifts.
(Action : W65)