

Terms, Names, Organizational Abbreviations, and Code Words in OSS Records

ABDA	American-British-Dutch-Australian Command
Abwehr	German military intelligence
ACC	Allied Control Commission (of occupied territory)
AFHQ	Allied Forces Headquarters for operations in the western Mediterranean
AFO	Anti-Fascist Organizations, Burma
AFPFL	Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, Burma
AKAK	A Trans-Pyrenees Chain of agents operated by OSS Spain
ALFSEA	Allied Land Forces South East Asia
ALIU	Art Looting Investigation Unit, OSS
ALOT	American Liaison Officer Team; dealt with partisans in Italy
AMZON	American Zone of Germany
APC	Alien Property Custodian, US
Azusa	Designation for atomic energy information
BAAG	British Army Aid Group, China
Baker Street	SOE headquarters in London
BCRA	French Gaullist intelligence and operational services
BIA	Burma Independence Army
Birch	OSS agent that penetrated Germany through Scandinavia in 1945
BIS	Bank for International Settlements, Basel, Switzerland
Black Series	Kappa Messages dealing with the Balkans (1944); also questionable reports coming from the Vatican
Blue	Sweden in 1943 Kappa messages
BEW	Board of Economic Warfare, US
BNA	Burmese National Army
Bonty	A Kappa indicator for Lisbon, Portugal
Boston Series	Intelligence reports based on George Wood/Kappa information
BPF	Burma Patriotic Front
Breakers	German opposition groups
Broadway	British Intelligence (MI6 Headquarters)
Brown	A Kappa indicator for Spain
BSC	British Security Coordination
Buffalo	OSS Agent in Iraq
Bunny	OSS Agent in Iraq
Burns	Allen Dulles, OSS Chief in Bern, Switzerland (1942-1943)
CAPS	An intelligence network in Geneva, Switzerland reporting to the OSS
CALPO	Comite "Allemagne Libre" pour l'Ouest, or Free German Committee for the West
Carat	OSS Agent in Lebanon
Carib	F. L. Mayer
Cassia	Anti-Nazi underground group in Vienna, Austria
Castle	Indicator for messages dealing with the German threat to Switzerland
CBI	China-Burma-India Theater of Operations
CCS	Combined Chiefs of Staff (US-UK)
C&D	Censorship and Documents Branch, OSS

CE	Counter Espionage
Cereus Circle	Well-connected individuals in Istanbul, Turkey that provided information to the OSS
CIB	SHAEF Counter-Intelligence Branch
CIC	Counter-Intelligence Corps (G-2)
Circle	OSS codeword for intelligence relating to the Vatican
CLNAI	Committee for the Liberation of Upper Italy (Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale per l'Alta Italia)
Coachman	Ernst Kaltenbrunner
COI	Coordinator of Information [predecessor of the OSS]
Cousins	The British
Critic	German SS General Karl Wolff
Crossword	British designation for Operation Sunrise
Crown Jewels	Germans deemed to be important for postwar purposes
CSDIC	Combined Services Detailed Interrogation Center
CT or CTO	China Theater of Operations
The Cub	Hans Bernd Gisevius
Culber	Hans Bernd Gisevius
Deuxieme Bureau	French Intelligence Service
DGER	Direction Generale des Etudes et Recherches, a French intelligence unit
DIP	Division of Intelligence Procurement; unit of OSS London in charge of German penetration
Division 19-SW	A NDRC unit created for the exclusive purpose of developing weapons and devices for the OSS
Dogwood	Source in Turkey (Alfred Schwarz) and head of the Cereus Circle
Drum	Presumably an OSS staff member at Bern, Switzerland and point of contact for "Drum" messages early in the war
Drumbee, Harold	Cover name for an Italian opposition figure
EAM	Greek resistance movement
Ebert	OSS Agent in Mozambique
ECONIC	Economic Intelligence
EDES	Greek resistance
ELAS	Greek resistance
Elmer	Elmer Davis, Director of the Office of War Information
Emperor	German Field Marshal Albert Kesselring
EOU	Enemy Objectives Unit of the Economic Warfare Division of the US Embassy, London, England
ERR	Einsatzstab Riechleiter Rosenberg, Nazi art looting operation
ESD 44	Economic Survey Detachment/Group 44
ETO	European Theater of Operations
ETOUSA	European Theater of Operations U.S. Army
FAAA Units	OSS First Allied Airborne Army Detachment activated in August 1944
Fat Boy	German Reichsmarschall Hermann Goering
FEA	Foreign Economic Administration, US
FEB	Far Eastern Bureau, the British PWE mission in India
FED	Foreign Exchange Division, OSS

FETO	Far Eastern Theater of Operations
FFI	Forces Francaises de l'Interieur (Free French Forces)
FIDES	OSS field detachment headquarters in France, 1944-1945
Flash	Allen Dulles evening radiotelephone transmission
Flute	Professor Paul Scherrer
FN	Foreign Nationalities Branch, OSS
FO	Foreign Office, British
Force 136	British SOE in the Far East
Forking	Code name for a German Jew residing in Ascona, Switzerland that was a source for Allied intelligence
Friends	British
FTP	Communist-controlled French resistance groups
G-2	US Army Intelligence
G-5	Civil Affairs, US Army
Garbo	War Refugee Board
Gensis	Direct Rome-Bern communication system for Operation Sunrise
George Project	Established June 6, 1942 for the purpose of securing from sources abroad secret information. George Project located in New York City under the cover of the Western Continents Corporation.
Gerplan	General Donovan's plan for infiltration of Germany in 1944
Grand	German Foreign Ministry or German Government in Berlin (in Kappa Messages)
Gray	A Kappa indicator signifying Finland
Green	A Kappa indicator signifying Italy
Gregory	OSS chief in Lisbon, Portugal
Grimm	Germany
<i>Gripsholm</i>	a Swedish ship used to exchange civilians and diplomatic prisoners between the belligerents
<i>Handel und Wandel</i>	Weekly business publication produced by OSS in Sweden
Harvard Plan	A German-language propaganda periodical produced in Washington and distributed by OSS Stockholm
HIHI	A Trans-Pyrenees Chain of agents operated by OSS Spain
HOHO	A Trans-Pyrenees Chain of agents operated by OSS Spain
IAMM	Independent American Military Mission (to Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia)
IB or IBT	India Burma Theater of Operations [beginning 1944]
Iceland	A category of material transmitted between Bern and Italy in 1944
ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
IDC	Interdepartmental Committee for Acquisition of Foreign Publications
IIU	Insurance Intelligence Unit, OSS
INA	Indian National Army
ITF	International Federation of Transport Workers
ISLD	Inter-Service Liaison Department, British (SIS/MI6 in the Middle East and the Far East)
JA	Jewish Agency for Palestine
Jack and Jill	A German opposition group associated with Breakers
Jadwin Mission	An operation designed to achieve the withdrawal of Bulgaria from the war

JCS	Joint Chiefs of Staff
J-E (Joan Eleanor)	Two-way communications device which enabled an agent on the ground to talk directly with an appropriately equipped OSS representative flying in a plane above him
J-E Operations	OSS Missions beginning in November 1944 using J-E
Jennings, Charles B	Fictitious name of Washington recipient of Dulles evening radiotelephone transmissions
JIC	Joint Intelligence Committee
Johnston, Bertram L	Cover name used to place Allen Dulles evening radiotelephone calls
Jones series	Concerns military deception
Jonny	A left-wing resistance movement in Vienna, Austria
K-28	Austrian source that provided information to OSS Bern, Switzerland
Kappa	Indicator for messages containing information and documents obtained from the German Foreign Ministry by Fritz Kolbe (code named George Wood)
KMT	Koumintang, Chinese nationalist party
Latte	A Kappa indicator for Budapest, Hungary
Lavender	A Kappa indicator for China
Luber	Hans Bern Gisevius
MA	Military Attaché
MacGregor Mission	An OSS operation in Italy
Manet	Great Britain
MPAJA	Malayan People's Anti-Japanese Army
Marie	A series of Allen Dulles reports on France, beginning in December 1943
MEDTO	Mediterranean Theater of Operations
METO	Middle East Theater of Operations
Medusa	Large OSS intelligence-gathering operation targeting France from Spain
Melanie	OSS Mission to the Netherlands
MEW	Ministry of Economic Warfare, British
MID	Military Intelligence Division, US Army
MILORG	Norwegian resistance
MI5	British Counter Intelligence
MIS	Military Intelligence Service (G-2 War Department General Staff)
MO	Morale Operations (OSS Psychological Warfare Unit)
Motto	OSS Morale Operations in London
MRL	Maryland Research Laboratory; Established to conduct laboratory research for the OSS
MU	Maritime Unit (OSS Maritime Unit)
NATO	North African Theater of Operations
NATOUSA	North African Theater of Operations, US Army
Nabors	The Germans ("neighbors" to the Swiss)
NDRC	National Defense Research Committee, U.S.
NEI	Netherlands East Indies
Nicholson	General Lyman Lemnitzer during Operation Sunrise
OELR	Office of European Labor Research, New York City; worked with OSS
OG	OSS Operational Groups (commando units)

OI	Oral Intelligence Branch, OSS
OKW	High Command of the Armed Forces, Germany
ONI	Office of Naval Intelligence, US Navy
Operation Sunrise	Negotiations for the German surrender in Italy
Orange	A Kappa indicator signifying Bulgaria
ORI	Italian resistance
Orion	Ion Antonescu, Romanian leader 1940-1944
OSO	Office of Special Operations
OSS	Office of Strategic Services, U.S.
Ostrich Operation	OSS operational plans for reconnaissance trip to Manchuria
OVRA	Italian secret police
OWI	Office of War Information, US
Oysters	Leader of an Austrian resistance movement coordinating committee
OZNA	Odeljenje za zaštitu naroda, or Department for Protection of the People, a Yugoslavian intelligence and security organization
Paradise	Name for certain Kappa cables involving the penetration of Germany
Mrs. Pestalozzi	Mary Bancroft, Ascona, Switzerland, Allen Dulles' secretary
Phillips, Carr	Cover name for an Italian opposition figure
Pink	A Kappa indicator signifying Tangiers
PLOPS	Planning and Operations Committee, OSS
Porto	Signifies German diplomatic post in Kappa cables
Prado	Signifies Madrid in Kappa cables
Proust Project	An auxiliary operation to the Sussex Mission to build up a reserve pool of agents for any unforeseen exigencies of the post D-Day period and eventually became operational
Pupin	Brig. Gen. Barnwell Legge, US Military Attaché in Switzerland
PWB	Psychological Warfare Board, U.S.
PWD	Psychological Warfare Division, OSS
PWE	Political Warfare Executive, British
PWIS	Prisoner of War Information Service
R&A	Research and Analysis Division, OSS
R&D	Research and Development Division, OSS
Ralph	Erwin Respondek, German Agent
Raz	Code name for a Swiss source in Basel
Red	Eric Ericson; agent for the OSS in Stockholm, Sweden
Redbird	An OSS plan to establish contact with the Austrian resistance
Remus	Morris "Mo" Berg
Rocky	A person involved with Breakers
Roberts Commission	The American Commission for the Protection and Salvage of Artistic and Historical Monuments in War Areas
Rote Kapelle	Red Orchestra, a Soviet spy network
RSHA	Das Reichssicherheitshauptamt, Reich Main Security Office
SA	German stormtroopers
SAARF	Special Allied Airborne Reconnaissance Force, activated by SHAEF on March 29, 1945, to send team to various POW camps in enemy territory
SACMED	Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean

SACO	Sino-American Cooperative Organization
SAFEHAVEN	Project to trace the movement of German funds and physical wealth to hideouts in European countries and to other continents
Saint	OSS indicator for messages containing security and counter-intelligence
SBS	Special Bari Section (OSS Balkan Operations)
SCAP	Supreme Commander Allied Powers
SCI	Special Counter Intelligence (joint operation of MI5 and X-2)
SCI/A	Special Counter Intelligence, Austria
SD	Intelligence Section of the SS
SEAC	Southeast Asia Command
SEATIC	South East Asia Translation and Interrogation Center, SEAC
SEPALS	OSS Base camps in Scandinavia
SF	Special Funds, OSS organization that provided finances for maintenance of agent cover
SF Detachments	SFHQ units attached to each of the army groups and armies operating out of the European Theater of Operations
SFHQ	Special Forces Headquarters (SO/SOE combined activities)
SHAEF	Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force
SI	Secret Intelligence Branch, OSS
SIFE	Security Intelligence Far East (British MI5/SIS)
SIM	Servizio Informazioni Militare, Italian military intelligence service
SIME	Security Intelligence Middle East, British
Simpson	Code name for an unofficial representative of the Czech Government
SIPO	German Security Police
SIS	Secret Intelligence Service, British MI6
SOA	Special Operations Australia
SO	Special Operations Branch, OSS
SOE	Special Operations Executive (British)
Sorel	Slovakia
SOU	Ship Observer Unit, OSS
“The Spider”	Man of Morrish extraction who passed mail to Lisbon, Portugal for OSS Bern, Switzerland
Spinister	Code name for an important source on France in Geneva, Switzerland
Spirit	Geneva, Switzerland
SPOC	G-3 Special Project Operations Center; a joint British-American organization in Algiers established to conduct operations in France
SR	The intelligence section of the French professional secret service, the Deuxieme Bureau; separate from the Gaullist BCRA
SS	Sicherheitsdienst, Reich Security Service
SSS	Security Services Section, OSS SI tactical intelligence teams attached to the 7 th Army’s Force 163 and under the direct supervision and control of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Force 163
SSU	Strategic Services Unit, predecessor of the CIA
S&T	Schools and Training, OSS
Stallion	OSS Agent in Lebanon and Syria
Stork	Gerhard Van Arkel

Squirrel	OSS Agent in Syria
Sussex Mission	Combined OSS-MI6-French operations in France
SWPA	South West Pacific Area
Ted	Eduard Schulte
Teton	OSS Agent in the Belgian Congo
T-Forces	Target-Forces developed under SHAEF G-2 for the exploitation of enemy material and documents
Toledo	Indicator for messages dealing with chemical and biological warfare intelligence
Tompus	Baron Anthony Radvanssky
Top	Zurich, Switzerland
UHVR	Ukrainian Supreme Liberation Council
Uncolored	Signifies Denmark in Kappa messages
UNRRA	United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Agency
USFETO	United States Forces European Theater of Operations
USTRAVIC	Indicator for and recipient of many OSS messages in London
Varlin Mission	London SI/Labor Desk mission to France in 1944
Vessel	Indicator for a series of reports from a source (now regarded as probably spurious) in the Vatican
Waldo	Signifies a German consul in Kappa messages
Wally	Vaclav Hradecky, Czech radio operator who assisted the OSS in Operation Sunrise
WD	War Department, US
Werewolves	Nazi organization trained to wage guerilla warfare after the defeat of German military forces
Wood, George	Fritz Kolbe
Wood Traffic	Material received from George Wood and messages generated by it
WRB	War Refugee Board
X-2	Counter Intelligence Division, OSS
Zigzag	U.S. source, former member of Abwehr IIIIF in Berlin, identified former Nazis for the U.S.
Zulu	The British
105	Col. David K. E. Bruce
106	Col. G. Edward Buxton
109	William J. Donovan
110	Allen W. Dulles
154	Whitney H. Separdson
284	Max Shoop
300	Col. Ellery Hungtington
304	George Pratt
305	Arthur Goldberg
334	William A. Eddy
399	Gerhard Van Arkel
452	Robert D. Murphy
476	Gero von Schulze Gaevernitz
488	Dr. Carl Jung

511	Swiss Intelligence Service
512	Hans Bernd Gisevius
518	Marcel Pilet-Golaz
520	Brig. Gen. Bernwell Legge
521	British intelligence in Switzerland
523	Henry Hyde
621	Head of British SIS in Switzerland
643	Eduard Schulte
644	Thomas H. McKittrick
645	British SOE in Switzerland
659	Admiral Wilhelm Canaris
660	Adriano Olivetti
674	Fritz Kolbe (George Wood), also assigned number 805
678	Gerald Mayer
760	Col. Edward J. F. Glavin
805	Fritz Kolbe (George Wood); also assigned number 674
827	Professor Paul Scherrer
6 th AG Detachment	OSS unit attached to the 6 th Army Group
Detachment 101	OSS unit in Burma
SF Detachment 10	Attached to the 1 st Army
SF Detachment 11	Attached to the 3 rd Army
SF Detachment 12	Attached to the 12 th Army Group
SF Detachment 13	Attached to the 9 th Army
31 st SCI Unit	Served in France beginning with the Normandy landings
69 th SCI Unit	Served in France beginning with the Normandy landings
2677 Regiment	OSS Mediterranean Command
2677 Regiment	Company A, OG Operations
2677 Regiment	Company B, French Operations
2677 Regiment	Company C, Balkan Operations
2677 Regiment	Company D, Italian Operations