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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

June 19, 2001

Freedom of Information/ Privacy Office

Mr. John Young CRYPTOME 251 West 89th Street Suite 6e New York, New York 10024

Dear Mr. Young:

References:

- a. Your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 29, 2001, for records concerning British Intelligence Services, ZF400014W. Your request was received in this office on May 7, 2001.
- b. Our letter of April 20, 2001, advising you of additional time needed to review the records and we were unable to comply with the 20-day statutory time limit in processing your request..

We have conducted checks of the automated Defense Clearance and Investigations Index and a search of the Investigative Records Repository to determine the existence of Army intelligence investigative records responsive to your request.

We have completed a mandatory declassification review in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 12958. As a result of this review, information has been sanitized from these records and three pages are denied in their entirety as the information is currently and properly classified CONFIDENTIAL according to Sections 1.3(a)(3) and 3.4(b)(1) of EO 12958. This information is exempt from the public disclosure provisions of the FOIA pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(1). It is not possible to reasonably segregate meaningful portions of the withheld pages for release. Fees for processing this request are waived. A brief explanation of the applicable sections follows:

Section 1.3(a)(3) of EO 12958 provides that information shall be classified CONFIDENTIAL if its unauthorized disclosure reasonably could be expected to cause damage to the national security.

Section 3.4(b)(1) of EO 12958 provides that information more than 25 years old is exempt from automatic declassification if it would reveal the identity of a confidential human source, or reveal information about the application of an intelligence source or methods or reveal the identity of human intelligence source when the unauthorized disclosure of that source would clearly and demonstrably damage the national security interests of the United States.

The withholding of information by this office is a partial denial of your request. This denial is made on behalf of Brigadier General Keith B. Alexander, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, who is the Initial Denial Authority for Army intelligence investigative and security records under the FOIA. You may appeal this decision to the Secretary of the Army. If you wish to file an appeal, you should forward it to this office. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. After the 60 day period, the case may be considered closed; however, such closure does not preclude you filing litigation in the courts.

If you have any questions concerning this action, feel free to contact Mrs. Reilly at (301) 677-4742. Please refer to case 749F-01.

Sincerely,

Russell A. Nichols Chief, Freedom of Information/

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Some years ago, the introduction of the Pressure Differential and Ultra Schie systems heralded the advent of a new era in Security Engineering. Consideration of the relative strength of walls and other parts of the structure, became of less importance because employment of either of these systems offered volumetric protection to the entire enclosure.

The systems often afford advantages over other forms of protection, but both have some limitations in their application and it is the purpose of this article to present the basic principles and their application to assist those who have not had practical experience of the equipment.

The equipment forms that part of an elarm installation which detects the presence of an intruder, and is connected to the alarm control relays in much the same way as would be a contact, closed circuit wiring, rays or any other alarm sensing device. It follows therefore, that these systems may be combined with other detecting devices where necessary, to form part of a composite installation.

Both systems share the merit of being inconspicuous and causing little or no disfigurement to the general appearance of the protected areas.

THE FRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL ALARM SYSTEM

The system is simple in concept. A fam is installed and may be made to extract air from the room to be protected.

Providing this room is reasonably draught proofed, then with the fan running the air pressure will be a little lower than the atmospheric pressure existing in adjoining rooms or corridors.

A separate unit known as the diaphragm is mounted in the dividing partition or wall between the protected room and another room, corridor, etc., functioning as the reference pressure and the unit may be regarded as looking at, and comparing the pressure each side of the dividing wall. The diaphragm is so designed that it remains in balance whilst a prescribed difference exists between the lowered pressure in the protected room and the atmospheric level in the reference zone. A margin of tolerance is provided above and below the optimum pressure difference to ensure stability of the system.

Built into the diaphragm are double platimum contacts which are connected to the control circuit, the whole obeying the fundamental alarm principle of "fail to alarm". This means that a supervising current constantly monitors the circuit when the alarm is set.

The fan has been described as exhausting and therefore lowering the pressure in the protected zone, but often for technical considerations an intake fan is used raising the pressure in the zone. The principle of operation is the same; that of maintaining a pressure difference between the protected area and the reference volume.

The word "pressure" is sometimes misleading as it may suggest that a much greater pressure difference is nece—ry than is actually required in practice. A pressure difference capable of displacing water in a 'U' tube by 1/50 inch is general in use, and is of the order of a barometric change.

From the principle of operation it will be obvious that the zone to be protected must be an enclosure in which it is possible to restrict leakage. Hermetic scaling is not necessary, and indeed would hardly ever be encountered in practice, excepting perhaps in certain strongrooms. The essential requirement is that draught proofing will restrict leakage and that any leakage existing will remain constant.

The equipment is fully self protecting and any attempt to obstruct the diaphragm apertures would create back pressure and throw it out of balance. The fan is the pump maintaining the pressure differential and consequently interference with the mains supply or the fan itself will cause loss of pressure difference and the alarm to operate.

Atmospheric temperature changes whether natural or due to heating systems, will not affect the stability, because the pressurising unit (fan or contrifugal blower) is functioning as a 'pump'.

The size of the fan required for a given installation bears a relationship to the volume of the protected area and the amount of leakage to be tolerated, so that sufficient air is moved per unit time to maintain a constant pressure difference. Well scaled strongrooms often require only a small diameter blover unit.

The system provides universal protection to the walls, floor and coiling alike, and a small aperture of a few square inches, made anywhere, will be sufficient to allow the pressure difference to change causing the alarm to operate.

It is especially suitable for stock rooms, strongrooms and similar enclosures where air leakage can be controlled. Due to the very low pressure employed, the control of leakage is a simple matter, and indeed paper stuck over ventilator bricks would be effective. Linoleum usually provides adequate sealing to timber floors whilst the various draught excluder strips are sufficient for badly fitting doors. A fireplace is easily scaled with a removable panel.

Where strong rooms are to be protected and ventilators exist these will serve as the apertures for the fan and disphragm. If there are no ventilators then apertures are easily provided by using diamond cutting tools; the usual rate of boring through hard concrete is about one inch per minute. The speed with which numer is strongroom walls can be bored is a disquieting thought for a security 1. n.

For many years closed circuit wired cabinets have been the accepted method of protecting safes, but recent attempts at removing the outer layer of plywood (or other material) to afferd access to manipulate the wiring circuits have led to the logical development of the Pressure Differential Safe Cabinet.

A sizeable cabinet built to enclose two or three large safes will operate efficiently with a two inch blower unit and it will be obvious that a far greater degree of security is provided by this system.

An outstanding feature of the Pressure Differential Bystom is its remarkable stability. The equipment is robust and, although in balance, it remains stable and is unaffected by mains surges due to the momentum of the fan.

Statistics covering many hundreds of installations over several years show that the fault experience is negligible.

The following are a few of the more usual quantions asked in connection with the Pressure Differential Protoction.

- Q. Can the alarm be circumvented by cutting the mains supply or otherwise stopping the fan?
- A. No. This causes loss of pressure and the diaphraga to fall out of balance, operating the alarm.
- Q. Will plugging the diaphragm aperture overcome the alarm?
- A. No. A bleed which develops back pressure is provided, throwing the diaphragm out of balance to the alarm condition.
- Q. Will temperature or barometric pressure changes cause false alarms?
- A. No. Such changes are slow and infinitesimal when considered against the volume of air which the fan is capable of moving.
- Q. How large a volume can be protected by the Pressure Differential System?
- A. There is no prescribed limit except that the system is not practical for very large volumes. Up to 30,000 cubic feet is commonplace, but zones over this capacity require consideration by experts. Much depends on the degree and constancy of the scaling which can be effected.

ULTIA SCHIC SYSTEMS

The equipment consists of a Master Unit, Speakers and Receivers. A small installation consists of a Master Unit located within the protected area in any suitable position, and one speaker and one receiver normally secured to the walls or ceilings.

Within the Master Unit an oscillator generates an audio-frequency producing a note radiated by the speaker, which is inaudible, being beyond the range of the average human ear. The note is picked up by the receiver and fed into the Master Unit where it is compared with the radiated note. So long as the radiated and received note signals are at the same frequency a relay is maintained in the energised condition and the supervising circuit remains closed. Should a change in the frequency, lasting for a predetermined fractional time period occur, then the relay will be released, opening the supervising circuit and operating the alarm.

A change of frequency occurs if a bely moves within the protected zone and this phenomenon is known as the Doppler Effect.

The Doppler Effect is the tendency of motion to cause a different frequency to be received from a transmitter than the frequency emitted by it. This change in frequency occurs because it takes wave energy a finite time to travel between those two locations, so that at any instant there is always a number of vaves in transit - waves that have left the transmitter but have not yet arrived at the receiver. Any motion changes the number of emitted waves that have not yet been detected and that change must be picked up by the Receiver as a modification in the number of waves it would have received if there was no motion. The rate at which the waves are received is the frequency, so that motion modifying that rate by changing the waves in transit modifies the received frequency. Echoes from a moving body such as an intruder are subject to the same effect.

The Doppler Effect is frequently experienced, by way of the changing note heard when a car passes with the heater sounding, or a train with the whistle blowing.

There are two types of Ultra Sonic Equipment is use, one originally of American design and employing thermionic valves, and the other known as the Trans-Sonar Equipment of English design and manufacture which is fully transistorised.

The Trans-Sonar Equipment is more economical both in initial cost, maintenance and running costs. It has an additional advantage in that being fully transistorised, and therefore requiring only a very small power input, it has been possible to incorporate a De-Ae Cell, which will supply the equipment for about eight hours, should the A.C. mains supply fail. Then the mains supply is restored the cell is automatically re-charged.

When specifying protection by Ultra Sonic methods there are a number of factors to be taken into consideration.

Fundamentally it must be remembered that the principle is that of sound waves in air. Air turbulence therefore must lead to instability and false alarms. The equipment cannot be used where forced draught ventilation systems or fan heaters are in use when the alarm is set.

Usually the normal heating from radiators can be compensated, but any sudden rise in temperature or any form of combuction will cause air turbulence and operate the alarm. In this respect an alarm will be given in the early stages of an outbreak of fire.

The acoustic properties of the area to be protected and "shadows" caused by stacks of commodities must be considered in siting the Speaker and Receiver Units. There the absorption factor is high, as would be found with fabric lined walls, or where stacking arrangements are continually changing, then additional speaker and receiver units are required. Usually not more than two speakers and two receiver units are connected to one Unster Unit.

The size of the sons to be protected coupled with the accustic considerations dictate the number and positions of speakers and receivers necessary to create an effective field of protection. Where more than two speakers and receivers are required additional Master Units are usually installed and interconnected so that one Unit operates as a master oscillator, locking the frequency of the other unit (or units) which are then functioning as slaves. This inter-locking is necessary to avoid the development of a beat frequency.

As the sound waves travel through the air they become attenuated, the degree of attenuation being dependent on the particular conditions, such as frequency, temperature and humidity. In actual practice it has been shown that a plane sound wave in the 10 to 20 kes range would be attenuated to approximately fits energy in 100 ft. Consideration of these factors will show that there is a practical limit to the size of zone which can be protected if the equipment is to remain stable in performance.

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