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Aug 28 1944

My dear Bill,

Many thanks for your
kind letter of Aug 1st

The new arrangement is
that I am no longer

Commandant of the
Military Wing - Jacob
has taken that over from

me - but am only
Chief Cryptographer for
the whole of the G.C. & C.S.,
on Harris' establishment

and not on that of the
War Office. In this
capacity I am labelled

as DD 4, De Grey,
Bradshaw - & Hastings

2. being DD1, DD2 and DD3
respectively

I am very pleased
to hear that Small will
be here shortly - I am
looking forward to seeing
him - I feel sure you
could not have chosen
better

I haven't myself seen
M. 228 - I leave most
of that to Welehnman,
Alexander - i Morgan
who are better qualified
on machines than I
am. I understand
that Welehnman is
shortly to see it again.

3. He attended the first demonstration, but it wasn't the best of opportunities for going into the detail necessary for a proper assessment of security and the documents don't give this detail either. So I hope we shall be able shortly to give an opinion from our point of view.

You will have heard that we are sending Cheadle next month to relieve Geoffrey Stevens. He hasn't of course the

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 latter's experience. but
 I believe you will find
 him sound — is easy
 to get on with

I don't think I am
 likely to be coming to
 Washington again in the
 near future. When the
 opportunity occurs again
 I hope I shall be able
 to hear you in your
 new symphony orchestra

Please convey my
 kindest regards to Mrs
 Friedman, Barbara —

J.H.

Yours sincerely,

John H. Altman