GC&CS General Reading List

The following is a list of a few of the widely available secondary publications concerning the history of GC&CS. Many more are available. Researchers should also investigate relevant papers and articles in the Journals Cryptologia, Intelligence and National Security, and the Journal of Intelligence History.

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