

Bureaus of Ungentlemanly Warfare

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Introduction

- Special Operations Executive
- Office of Strategic Services
- Female staff profiles
 - *D-Day Girls*
 - *Code Name: Lise*
 - *Sisterhood of Spies*

Odette Hallowes

- Most highly decorated WWII spy
- Non-normative female SOE agent



<https://hannah-howe.com/eves-war/odette-sansom/>

Violette Szabo

- Two missions
- Case study for female field agents



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Violette_Szabo

Vera Atkins

- Powerhouse of the SOE
- Normative female experience



<https://www.sttammanylibrary.org/blogs/post/women-in-history-vera-atkins/>

Hannah Szenes: Beyond Vichy France

- Palestinian Palmach
- Betrayal



<https://www.yadvashem.org/from-our-collections/hannah-szenes.html>

Betty MacDonald

- Project Black Mail
- Atomic Bomb Broadcast



<https://www.cia.gov/stories/story/spy-girl-betty-mcintosh/>

Maria Gulovich

- North Star of the OSS
- Normative Field Agent



<https://twitter.com/CIA/status/879503072648736768>

Marion Frieswyk

- Research and Analysis
- Innovations in Cartography



<https://www.cia.gov/stories/story/marion-frieswyk-the-first-female-intelligence-cartographer/>

Comparative Analysis

Special Operations Executive

- Fieldwork
- Proximity
- Fluid network of branches
- Military strength

Office of Strategic Services

- Domestic office work
- Geographic separation
- Distinctly separated branches
- Academic strength

Conclusions

- Opportunities for women in intelligence
- Effective use of female employees
- Public recognition vs. relative obscurity

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