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THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS. PART ONE.

REFERENCE CHAIRMAN MCCONE'S LETTER TO SECDEF APRIL 22, COPY TO YOU, CONCERNING EPG EPG. PARA. DOD WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION OF EPG COMMENCING JULY 1, 1960. PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE IS BEING DIRECTED TO COORDINATE DETAILS OF TRANSFER OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT WITH YOU. PMR ALSO INTENDS TO NEGOTIATE WITH HOLMES AND NARVER FOR CONTRACTOR SERVICES THERE. PARA. FOLLOWING ACTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. T-DAY IS JULY 1, 1960. (A) REDUCE H&N STRENGTH TO A MAXIMUM OF 145 PERSONNEL BY T-DAY (PMR WILL DESIGNATE WHICH POSITIONS ARE TO BE RETAINED). (B) PRIOR TO T-DAY FULFILL FROM EPG STOCK, WHERE ECONOMICAL, REQUIREMENTS OF ALOO AND SAN FOR NTS, PLOWSHARE, AND DETECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. (C) TRANSFER TO DOD ON A NON-REIMBURSABLE BASIS ALL AEC PROPERTY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT REMAINING AT [redacted] EPG AS OF T-DAY LESS ANY YOU MAY HAVE PACKED OR [redacted] MARKED FOR SHIPMENT BACK TO AN AEC FACILITY. (D) PREPARE AND ACCOMPLISH WITH CJTF-7 AN APPROPRIATE SUPPLEMENT TO THE CURRENT AEC-DOD AGREEMENT ON RESPONSIBILITIES FOR EPG OPERATION WHICH WILL SERVE TO SUSPEND EFFECTIVENESS OF THAT AGREEMENT FOR THE INDEFINITE FUTURE. (E) ADVISE DMA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO REDUCE TO 145 [redacted] AND THUS BE CAUSED TO RETAIN H&N PERSONNEL AS AEC HIRE AT EPG AFTER T-DAY. INFORM DMA OF FY'61 REQUIREMENT FOR FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE. (F) PREPARE A FINAL TRANSFER REPORT SUMMARIZING NATURE AND VALUE OF ASSETS TRANSFERRED TO DOD. END. REF.MAT:SWJ

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