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SUBJECT: Stand-By Medical Teams for Operation HARDTACK (U)

HC 374 Defense Nuclear Agency

Location WNRG

TO:

Commander
Field Command
Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, Attn: No. 65-A1783 Box 36
P.O. Box 5100
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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1. At the request of Joint Task Force SEVEN, this headquarters is formulating an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Operation HARDTACK. The personnel of this team will be placed on a stand-by basis for the period 1 April 1958 to 1 September 1958.

2. It is requested that you assume the responsibility for packing and loading the medical equipment and supplies, now stored at your command, for the team on request from Joint Task Force SEVEN.

3. This headquarters is arranging for the necessary special clearances and a MATS flight to transport this equipment.

4. Inclosed for your information are copies of letters to participating Services and agencies regarding the assignment of personnel, details of transportation, and arrangements for the establishment of the team.

FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

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- 2. Cy 1tr to Bu/Medicine and Surgery
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establishment of the team are forwarded for the information of Field Command. The actions taken in the inclosures have been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG; Capt Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechause, USAF; and Col Hanson, Field Command.

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SUBJECT: Stand-By Medical Teams for Operation HARDTACK (U)

RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY

**TO: Commander
Joint Task Force SEVEN
Arlington Hall Station
Arlington 12, Virginia**

Location WNRC
Access No. 63-A 1783 Box 3/3
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M/R: Ltr fr JTF-7, 24 Jan 58, requested organization of an emergency medical team to cover the possibility of a major radioactive fallout episode in the Eniwetok Prov.Gd., beyond the capabilities of assigned or available medical personnel, during Oper.HARDTACK. This action informs JTF-7 that formation of such teams has proceeded; that this hqs is arranging for MATS flight of

1. Reference is made to letter, file J-3/700, your headquarters, 24 January 1958, subject as above.
2. The formation of stand-by emergency medical teams has proceeded as requested. The Surgeons General of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Public Health Service have agreed to forward names to your headquarters of personnel who will be placed on a stand-by basis for such a team. Charles L. Dunham, M.D., of the Division of Biology and Medicine, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, is prepared to join such a team along with two or three consultants to be selected if and when needed.
3. This headquarters is arranging for a MATS flight to transport equipment and supplies. Inspection and preparation of equipment stored at Field Command, AFSWP, is being carried out under the direction of the Surgeon, Field Command, who will be responsible for packaging and loading if necessary.
4. It is requested that your headquarters furnish stand-by orders for the team personnel whose names will be furnished by the individual Services. The Surgeon, Joint Task Force SEVEN is designated the team leader. The individual Services will place their personnel on an alert status for the period 1 April 1958 to 1 September 1958, and will further assign them to Joint Task Force SEVEN.

FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

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Field Command (w/d to be made Incl to separate ltr to F.C.)

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equipment; requests JTF-7 to issue stand-by orders for team personnel; designated Surgeon of JTF-7 as team leader; and furnishes copy of this action to Field Command for their information. Control No. 49447 applies. This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG; Capt Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechausse, USAF;

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SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Team for Operation HARDTACK (U)

TO: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery
Department of the Navy
Washington 25, D.C.
ATTN: Code 74

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1. Reference is made to:

a. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956, subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Team," and 1st End, Serial 05397, your office to Chief, Bureau of Ships, 20 April 1956.

b. Letter, NS(348) Ser 348-89, Chief of the Bureau of Ships, to this headquarters, 20 April 1956, a copy of which was furnished your office.

c. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 26 July 1956, subject: "Disestablishment of Medical Research Team."

2. Referenced correspondence concerned the establishment of an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Operation REDWING, and the eventual disestablishment of the team with the termination of the operation.

3. At the request of Joint Task Force SEVEN and in response to informal conversations with representatives of your office, it has been agreed to re-establish an emergency medical team during Operation HARDTACK, which would function in case of an incident such as the CASTLE-Bravo event in March 1954. It is requested that five (5) qualified medical officers be placed on an alert basis with stand-by orders to Joint Task Force SEVEN during the period 1 April 1958 to 1 September 1958. It is further requested that their names be furnished to Joint Task Force SEVEN directly, with a copy to this headquarters, so the Task Force can issue appropriate orders moving them to the scene of such an incident in case of necessity.

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RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY

TO: The Surgeon General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D.C.

Location WNRC
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1. Reference is made to:

a. Letter, SWPSC 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956, subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Teams," and 1st Indorsement, MEDNE 334 (Teams), your office, 27 April 1956.

b. Letter, SWPSC 337, this headquarters, 26 July 1956, subject: "Disestablishment of Medical Research Teams."

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M/R: At the request of JTF-7 this headquarters is formulating an emergency medical team to called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action requests that qualified personnel be placed on an alert status and that their names be furnished to JTF-7.

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FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP
DRAFTER IDENTIFICATION: Lt Col Bach Grade of Staff nw 1B672 52793
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This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG; Capt Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechasseur, USAF; and Col Hanson, Field Command.

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RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY

TO: The Surgeon General Headquarters, USAF Washington 25, D.C.

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1. Reference is made to:

a. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956, subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Team," and 1st Indorsement, your headquarters, 17 April 1956.

b. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 25 July 1956, subject: "Disestablishment of Medical Research Team."

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FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

Copy furnished: Commander, Field Command, AFSWP, P.O. Box 5100, Albuquerque, New Mexico

M/R: At the request of JTF-7 this headquarters is formulating an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action requests that qualified personnel be placed on an alert status and their names be furnished

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This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG; Capt. Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechasseur, USAF; and Col Hanson, Field Command.

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Mr. Raymond E. Murphy
Electronic Technician
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Orders should assign these individuals to Joint Task Force SEVEN which in turn will issue detailed orders moving them to the West Coast and to the scene of any possible incident. Arrangements have already been made for shipment of the medical supplies required for the team from Sandia Base. Details as to assembly points, marriage of equipment with the unit, etc., will be furnished by Joint Task Force SEVEN. Colonel Ralph M. Lechause, USAF (MC), will be the team leader, since it is felt that it would be simplest to carry out this operation along military lines.

Sincerely,

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K. M.

M/R: At the request of JTF-7, this hqs is formulating an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action requests certain personnel be placed on an alert status and their names be furnished to JTF-7. This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG;

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M/R: At the request of JTF-7, this hqs is formulating an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action confirms telephone conversations with Dr. Dunham, DBM, AEC, and Lt Col Bach, to the effect that Dr. Dunham will be prepared to join the team along with two or three consultants, if and when needed. This action has been coordinated with:

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Director
 Division of Biology and Medicine
 U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
 Washington 25, D.C.

ATTENTION: Charles L. Dunham, M.D.
 Dear Sir:

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Location: WTRC
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Reference is made to letter, file SUPFC 374, this headquarters, 8 April 1958, and letter, file SUPFC 374, this headquarters, 26 July 1956, which concerned the establishment of an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Operation HARDTACK, and the eventual disestablishment of the team with the termination of the operation.

Reference is further made to telephone conversations between Dr. Dunham of your office and Lt Colonel Sven A. Bach of this headquarters regarding the re-establishment of an emergency medical team for Operation HARDTACK, in the event of a contaminating incident similar to the CASTLE-Bravo occurrence of March 1954.

It has been decided to re-establish, for the period 1 April 1958 to 1 September 1958, an emergency medical team similar to the one organized for Operation HARDTACK. In accordance with referenced telephone conversations it is requested that Dr. Charles L. Dunham, plus any other suitable personnel of his choosing, be assigned to Joint Task Force SEVEN on a stand-by basis.

Joint Task Force SEVEN will arrange for all details of transportation, assembly points, the marriage of the equipment to the emergency medical team, and will pay the costs of such transportation. The equipment for the team is at present being carefully checked and placed in operating condition. It will be packed and transported under the direction of this headquarters.

Copy furnished:

Commander, Field Command, AFSWP, *w/d to be made*
 B.O. Box 5100, Albuquerque, N. Mex. *w/d to be made*

Sincerely,

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