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SUBJECT: ENEWETAK RADIOLOGICAL CLEANUP
MSG IN FIVE PARTS
PART I FOR ALL

1. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) HAS REQUESTED DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) SUPPORT ON ENEWETAK ATOLL FOR NEW AND PREVIOUSLY UNPLANNED TASK: RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY OF NORTHERN ISLANDS TO DETERMINE RESIDUAL FISSION

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PRODUCTS (E.G., STRONTIUM, CESIUM) IN SOIL. POST-CLEANUP DATA ON CONTAMINATION LEVELS OF THESE SUBURANICS ARE NEEDED ASAP FOR DOSE ASSESSMENT CALCULATIONS FROM WHICH DECISIONS ON TWO URGENT ISSUES AFFECTING DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR'S (DOI) ONGOING REHABILITATION/RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM CAN BE MADE: (A) COCONUT PLANTING ON NORTHERN

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ISLANDS, AND (B) FEASIBILITY AND/OR TIMING OF RESETTLEMENT TO ENJEI ISLAND.

2. DOE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY TASKS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH BASIC ALLOCATION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENEWETAK PROJECT. HOWEVER SINCE INITIAL PLANNING STAGES IN 1972, DOD HAS BEEN IN FOREFRONT OF EFFORT TO PROVIDE AS MUCH DOD SUPPORT TO DOE AS POSSIBLE FROM EXTENSIVE DOD INFRASTRUCTURE ON ATOLL FOR DOD'S CLEANUP EFFORT.

3. IN FURTHERANCE OF THIS PHILOSOPHY, DURING PAST TWO YEARS OF PROJECT OPERATIONS DOD HAS PROVIDED, WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT, SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF ASSETS NEEDED BY DOE TO MEET ITS RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY RESPONSIBILITIES (E.G., BOAT TRANSPORTATION, SURVEYING TEAMS, BRUSH-CLEARING EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL, HOLE-DIGGING EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL, SAMPLE-TAKING TEAMS, TRUCK TRANSPORTATION, FIELD RADIOLOGICAL SUPPORT TEAMS (FRST), DEMOLITION TEAMS, ETC). PROVISION OF THIS DOD SUPPORT HAS BEEN PREDICATED ON THREE MAJOR FACTORS: (A) MOST EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL WERE OF TYPES ALREADY

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ON ATOLL FOR DOD TASKS (I.E., RADIOLOGICAL CLEANUP), AND COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO DOE WITHOUT CAUSING MAJOR ADDITIONAL LOAD ON DOD; (B) MONTHS/YEARS OF ADVANCE PLANNING WAS DONE TO ALLOW EASY ACCOMMODATION OF RESOURCES IN DNA AND SERVICE BUDGETS; AND (C) RADIOLOGICAL TASKS BEING DONE BY DOE WERE THOSE WHICH

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SUPPORTED DOD'S CLEANUP EFFORT.

4. NEW SURVEY NOW BEING PROPOSED BY DOE IS DIFFERENT IN ALL THREE RESPECTS: (A) FULL SUPPORT BY DOD MIGHT CALL FOR SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL RESOURCES; (B) SURVEY HAS NOT BEEN INCORPORATED IN ANY PLANNING TO DATE, AND, IN FACT, IT IS AT ODDS WITH SOME ASPECTS OF CAREFULLY DEVELOPED, DETAILED DEMOBILIZATION PLANS; AND (C) SURVEY IS NOT IN SUPPORT OF DOD CLEANUP, BUT RATHER OF ~~DOE~~ REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT PROGRAMS.

5. ON OTHER HAND, THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT NEW SURVEY PROPOSED BY DOE IS URGENTLY NEEDED AND IS ESSENTIAL TO SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF OVERALL PROJECT. DOD SHOULD CLEARLY BEND EVERY EFFORT TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SUPPORT TO DOE.

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6. NEW DOE SURVEY PROPOSAL CAN BE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLWOS:

A. SOIL-SAMPLING EFFORT WOULD BEGIN ABOUT 1 MAR 1979 AND REQUIRE ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

B. SURVEY INVOLVES ALL NORTHERN ISLANDS FROM BIKEN (LEROY) ON WESTERN SIDE CLOCKWISE TO BILLAE (WILMA) ON EASTERN SIDE, LESS PERCY AND URSULA.

C. PLAN INVOLVES SOIL-SAMPLING ON 50-METER GRID ON ALL ISLANDS, WITH MODIFICATION TO 25 METERS ON SOME SMALL ISLANDS. SOIL PITS ABOUT THREE FEET DEEP WOULD BE DUG AT GRID NODES, AND SIX SOIL SAMPLES TAKEN, AT 10-CM DEPTH INCREMENTS, IN EACH PIT.

D. CONCEPT ENVISIONS SURVEY TEAM ESTABLISHING GRID, ASSISTED BY BRUSH-CLEARING EFFORT AS REQUIRED, FOLLOWED BY RACK-HOE OR SHOVEL TEAMS DIGGING PITS, WITH SOIL SAMPLER TEAMS THEN TAKING SAMPLES. PROJECT PARTY WOULD BASE AT LOJWA AND BE MOVED BY BOAT FROM ISLAND TO ISLAND IN ACCORDNACE WITH ESTABLISHED SCHEDULE. EXTENT OF EFFORT IS SHOWN BY FACT THAT OVER 5,000 SAMPLES WOULD BE TAKEN FROM NORTHEASTERN ISLANDS ALONE (BOKEN TO BILLAE), EXCLUSIVE OF NORTHWESTERN ISLANDS.

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7. AS DOD PROJECT MANAGER FOR ENEWETAK OPERATION, DIRECTOR, DNA, TAKES FOLLOWING GENERAL POSITION ON NEW DOE REQUEST FOR SUPPORT:

A. ALL ASPECTS OF RADIOLOGICAL SURVEYS ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF DOE.

B. NOTWITHSTANDING ABOVE, DOD WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL SUPPORT TO NEW DOE SURVEY REQUIREMENT.

C. THIS SUPPORT WILL NECESSARILY BE CONSTRAINED BY FOUR FACTORS: (1) DOD CLEANUP REQUIREMENTS MUST TAKE FIRST PRIORITY; (2) DOD SUPPORT WILL BE LIMITED TO ASSETS NOW ON ATOLL OR PROGRAMMED TO BE ON ATOLL; (3) AGREED AND PUBLISHED DEMOBILIZATION SCHEDULE WILL BE ADHERED TO; AND (4) PLANNED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE (15 APR 1980) WILL BE MET.

D. IN CONTINUATION OF PAST SPIRIT OF INTERDEPARTMENT COOPERATION, WHICH HAS BEEN HALLMARK OF PROJECT (AND WHICH HAS BEEN A MAJOR REASON FOR SUCCESS TO DATE), DOD WILL CONSIDER--ON CASE BY CASE BASIS--REQUESTS FOR MINOR EXCEPTIONS TO C.(2) AND C.(3) ABOVE. THAT

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IS, IN SPECIFIC CASES WHERE INADEQUATE SUPPORT EXISTS, AND WHERE PERSUASIVE CASE CAN BE MADE THAT DOD CAN PROVIDE NEEDED RESOURCE MARKEDLY MORE EFFICIENTLY THAN DOE, DOD WILL CONSIDER SENDING MINOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO ATOLL (ITEM C.(2)). OR EXTENDING RESOURCES ON ATOLL FOR BRIEF PERIOD PAST SCHEDULED DEMOBILIZATION DATE (ITEM C.(3)). EXCEPTIONS TO ITEMS C.(1) AND C.(4) WILL NOT BE MADE.

E. DOD PROVISION OF ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO DOE UNDER PARAS B. OR D. ABOVE WILL NOT ALTER UNDERLYING RESPONSIBILITY OF DOE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF RADIOLOGICAL SURVEYS.

F. NEW SURVEY SHOULD GIVE FIRST PRIORITY TO THOSE NORTHEASTERN ISLANDS DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY PENDING DOE*

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DECISIONS (AEJ, AOMON, BIJIRE, LOJWA, ALEMBEL, BILLAE,
AND ENJEBI).

8. IN ORDER FOR DOD TO PROVIDE FIRM ANSWER TO DOE
REQUEST FOR SUPPORT, ONE-DAY OR TWO-DAY MEETING WILL
BE HELD AT FIELD COMMAND, DNA, KIRTLAND AFB, ALBUQUERQUE,
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SHORT NOTICE; HOWEVER, URGENCY OF DOE REQUEST DICTATES RAPID DOD ACTION. ACTION ADDEES ARE REQUESTED TO SEND REPS AS APPROPRIATE; REPS FROM INFO ADDEES ARE WELCOME. ADDRESSEES SHOULD PROVIDE NAMES OF ATTENDEES AND ANY REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED TO FC DNA, ATTN: FCZ (MAJ NORTON), AUTOVON 964-9186/9568. 9. DIRECTOR, DNA CONSIDERS THAT THIS NEW DOE SUPPORT

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REQUEST, IF ACCOMMODATED, WOULD REPRESENT SIGNIFICANT CHANGE TO DOD TASKING; AND IN ANY CASE IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO ENTIRE CLEANUP/REHABILITATION EFFORT THAT THIS MEETING IS ESSENTIAL IF DOD IS TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE BEST SUPPORT, IN VIEW OF COMPETITION FOR RESOURCES, THEIR AVAILABILITY, AND TIME REMAINING FOR CLEANUP

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AND DEMOBILIZATION PHASES. PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO OBTAIN CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF DOE REQUEST FOR SUPPORT AND TO DECIDE IN DETAIL WHAT DOD (AND EACH SERVICE) CAN AND CANNOT PROVIDE.

PART II FOR SERVICE REPS

10. SERVICE REFS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO CONSIDER OPERATIONAL SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS INVOLVING BOAT SUPPORT FOR SURVEY/SAMPLING EFFORT (NAVY); POSSIBLE DEMOLITION SUPPORT FOR BOAT CHANNELS (NAVY); PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SUPPORT FOR SURVEYING, BRUSH-CLEARING, BACK-HOE AND PIT-DIGGING OPERATIONS, AND SOIL SAMPLING (ARMY); PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SUPPORT FOR RADIOLOGICAL OPERATIONS TO INCLUDE ESTABLISHMENT OF HOT LINES, AIR SAMPLER OPERATIONS, PERSONNEL MONITORING, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING (AIR FORCE); AND PERSONNEL SUPPORT TO RAD LAB (NAVY, AIR FORCE).

11. SERVICE REFS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A SHORT BRIEFING ON RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE CLEANUP, AND DISCUSSION OF DEMOBILIZATION WHICH WOULD THEN PERMIT CONSIDERATIONS OF IMPACT OF SUPPORTING

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THIS NEW MISSION.

12. SERVICE HQS ARE INVITED TO BRING SERVICE ELEMENT REFS FROM ATOLL IF DESIRED.

PART III FOR CJTG

13. REQUEST CJTG REP PROVIDE OVERVIEW OF STATUS OF THE NORTHERN ISLANDS (E.G., BOAT ACCESS, OVERGROWTH/CLEARING REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH 50-METER GRID, EXTENT TO

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WHICH PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED GRIDS ARE STILL EXISTENT AND ADEQUATE, ETC).

14. REQUEST PEP BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS BILLETING AND OTHER LIFE-SUPPORT CAPABILITIES TO HANDLE SOIL SURVEY EFFORT, ASSUMING THAT BULK OF WORK WILL BE PERFORMED USING LOJWA AS BASE (RATHER THAN ENEWETAK).

15. COORDINATE WITH ON-ISLAND SERVICE REPS SO AS TO PROVIDE MEETING PARTICIPANTS WITH IMPACT OF THIS NEW MISSION ON YOUR PROJECTED COMPLETION OF CLEANUP TASK AND ON DEMOBILIZATION. REQUEST RCC CONSIDER RAD SAFETY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING LEVELS OF PROTECTION, FRST SUPPORT, AND RAD LAB SUPPORT, AS CAN BEST BE DONE WITH CURRENT LIMITED UNDERSTANDING OF TASK.

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16. CONSIDER HANDLING OF POTENTIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SOIL EXCAVATION, TRANSPORT, AND ENCRYPTION, IF SOIL SURVEY REVEALS AREAS WHICH MUST BE CLEANED UP TO MEET EXISTING CRITERIA.

PART IV FOR DOE-NVO

17. REQUEST DOE BE PREPARED TO KICK-OFF MEETING WITH DETAILED BRIFFING OF NEW SURVEY PROPOASL TO INCLUDE SCOPE OF PROJECT, CONCEPT, DIVISION OF OPERATIONS, TIMING AND SCHEDULING, AND CONCISE STATEMNT OF SUPPORT DESIRED FROM DOD. BRIEFING SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE DOE ASSESSMENT OF RADIOLOGICAL CRITERIA AND HAZARDS, TO PERMIT ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION OF RAD SAFETY PROCEDURES AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES.

~~18. REQUEST DOE INVITE, AS APPROPRIATE, REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER ACTIVITIES (E.G. ILLI, EIC) WHO MAY BE HELPFUL IN THIS PLANNING EFFORT.~~

PART V

FOR SERVICE COMMAND ECHELONS

19. DIRECTOR, DNA INTENDS TO CHAIR MEETING PERSONALLY AND ENSURE THAT SERVICE INTERESTS ARE SAFEGUARDED

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