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RUECD/SPECPROJOFF WASHDC
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ATLANTIC FBM NAVIGATION (U)

- A. COMSUBPAC 160335Z MAY 64 NOTAL
- B. COMD COGARD 262015Z FEB 64 NOTAL
- C. CINCLANTFLT 192312Z FEB 64 NOTAL

1. AT CONFERENCE ON 2 JUNE AT NAVOCEANO AGENDA ITEMS LISTED REF A WERE DISCUSSED. REPORT OF CINCLANTFLT REP TO CONFERENCE INDICATES STATUS OF ITEMS OF CONCERN TO CINCLANTFLT AS FOLLOWS:

- A. USNS BOWDITCH OVERHAUL COMMENCEMENT WILL PROBABLY SLIP TO 15 DEC.
- B. STATUS OF NEWFOUNDLAND, PORTUGAL, AND AZORES LORAN C STATIONS

REMAINS AS REPORTED IN REF B

2. CINCLANTFLT ACCEPTS SLIPPAGE IN BOWDITCH SCHEDULE WITH RELUCTANCE. IF, HOWEVER, THIS DELAY WILL RESULT IN A WIDE REAM SONAR CAPABILITY FOR BOWDITCH, IT IS CONSIDERED JUSTIFIED. THE COMMENCEMENT OF ATLANTIC FBM NAV SURVEYS BY USNS DUTTON MUST NOT BE DELAYED BY INVOLVEMENT IN BOWDITCH-MICHELSON SCHEDULE PERTURBATIONS OR BY TEST AND EVALUATION OF EXPERIMENTAL EQUIPMENT SUCH AS THE SONAR ARRAY.

3. CONCERN OVER THE LAGGING LORAN C PROGRAM AS EXPRESSED IN REF C CONTINUES. THE SCHEDULED DEPLOYMENT OF SSBNS WITH A-3 POLARIS MISSILES IN OCTOBER 1964 LENDS URGENCY TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ACCURATE NAVIGATION REFERENCE IN THE OPEN WATERS OF THE CENTRAL AND EASTERN ATLANTIC OCEAN AREAS. AGAIN, REQUEST MAX EFFORT BE APPLIED TO THE TASK OF MEETING THIS REQUIREMENT. GP-4.

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