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VIA: Chief, Planning & Control Staff
Chief, Office of Engineering
Chief, Office of Operations

Loran Station, Hobe Sound, Fla.; expiration of lease

1. The transmitter building and antenna of subject station are located on a site for which the lease will expire on 30 June 1955, as outlined in indorsement 3 above. A permanent transmitter building and antenna are now being constructed on this site, and so far as can now be foreseen a station will be permanently required in this location. It is therefore recommended that steps now be taken to acquire this site on or before the termination date of the lease.
2. Quarters, other living facilities, and storage space are now provided at this station on property leased at a nominal figure from the Hobe Sound Company, originally acquired for Beach Patrol purposes. These leases expire on 30 June, 1953, and some provision must be made to replace or continue occupancy of these facilities prior to that time. These sites are situated about 1/2 mile from the transmitter site and on the edge of a resort development. It is reported that the owners are anxious to have the Coast Guard terminate occupancy of these premises, and it therefore appears that they might also object to selling any of this property to the Coast Guard. A location closer to the transmitter site would, in any event, be more convenient for operation of the station.
3. It appears from plot plans that an area about 150' by 400' located at the southern end of the transmitter site might be suitable for the construction of necessary living and storage space. It is recommended that preference be given to this location, and that, if the site proves satisfactory, plans be made to concentrate all the station facilities in this area by 30 June 1953. If this site proves inadequate, it is recommended that negotiations be undertaken to acquire satisfactory space in the immediate vicinity of this site in preference to acquiring either of the other two sites now leased from the Hobe Sound Company. Best information available at Headquarters indicates that the adjoining land is part of the Geer estate, as is the transmitter site itself.

E. G. ROSE

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From: Chief, Office of Operations
To: Chief, Legal Division

Subj: CG Loran Station, Hobe Sound, Fla.; expiration of lease

In view of OAN indorsement it is requested that you investigate the case and advise whether or not the Coast Guard's continued occupancy of the site can be insured. In view of Paragraph 2 of basic memorandum, it is further requested that action be expedited.

E.G. ROSE

CC:Office of Engineering (5-3)

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