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From: Commandant

To: Commander, Fourteenth Coast Guard (o)

Subj: Relocation of the LORAN-C Monitor in Japan

Ref: (a) CCGD14 130320Z, Jan 66

- 1. The Commandant concurs generally in your recommendations for disestablishment of the Loran-C Monitor on O'Shima and the establishment of a new monitor at Fuchu Air Force Base. It is anticipated that District funds will be used to accomplish the change. A detailed cost estimate and breakdown will be necessary should any additional funds be required.
- 2. Prior to final authorization to make the changes, the following general comments are made:
- a. The Joint Chiefs of Staff (J-6) have concurred in the relocation of the O'Shima Monitor. At their previous request, the existing government to government agreement provides for continued U. S. operation of the O'Shima monitor. This requirement is no longer necessary once the relocation to Fuchu is accomplished. The agreement also provides for reentry privileges to the O'Shima site in the event the GOJ ceases Loran-A operations at Hachijo Jima. For the present, at least, retention of this provision is desired. Ultimately, however, the necessity for reentry privileges at O'Shima may depend on the final disposition of the O'Shima station by the GOJ. No continuing U. S. contribution toward maintenance of the O'Shima station in standby status based on retention with a view to possible reentry is contemplated. Necessary revision of the government to government agreement to reflect the foregoing should be handled under the auspices of the Embassy. You are authorized to act for the Commandant during the negotiations.
- b. The personnel allowance for Fuchu monitor will be 9 EM (1-ETC, 1-ET1, 2-ET2, 2-ET3, 3-SN). This allowance will be provided by deletion of seven monitor personnel from the 0'Shima allowance. The WO billet has been converted to ETC as command and supervision will be the responsibility of COMFESEC and his staff. Two additional billets have been provided. This allowance will be sufficient for two continuous watch positions which are considered necessary due to the importance of the mission and the physical arrangements of the monitor.





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3. Your views concerning the matters discussed above are desired at an early date. You are authorized to institute method ALPHA control of legs SS3-X and SS3-Y from Fuchu when communications facilities are adequate for this purpose but not earlier than 1 February. Utilize correlated numbers obtained from Fuchu operation up to*30 Jenuary. Report date of commencement of ALPHA operation and the correlated numbers to be used. The permanent installation at Fuchu should, of course, be completed as soon as possible but not later than the date of cessation of Loran-A operations at 0'Shima.

*the date of control method change.

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