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FBM NAVIGATION AND SURVEY EFFORT (U)
A. SPECPROJOFF 231523Z APR
B. CNO 301555Z APR
1. THE FOLLOWING RECENT EVENTS HAVE CAUSED CONSIDERABLE CONCERN:
   A. COLLAPSE OF IWO JIMA LORAN C TOWER.
   B. STRUCTURAL INSTABILITY OF YAP LORAN C TOWER.
   C. DELAY IN SATISFACTORY OPERATION OF MICHELSON SONAR ARRAY
      AND HER DELAYED DEPLOYMENT PACIFIC.
2. AT CONFERENCE CONVENED IN OPNAV WITH OBJECTIVE TO INITIATE ACTION

REF A AND B NOT HELD

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TO IMPROVE PACIFIC SITUATION, THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS WERE REACHED:

A. COAST GUARD WILL EXPEDITE HOKKAIDO-NARCUS SYNCHRONIZATION TO PROVIDE USABLE LORAN C FOR BOWDITCH SURVEY EFFORT.

B. COAST GUARD WILL EXPEDITE RESTORATION OF LORAN C TO ACHIEVE FULLY OPERATIONAL STATUS AT IWO JIMA BY 15 DEC 1964 AND AT YAP BY 1 JAN 65.

C. CORRECTION OF MICHelson DIFFICULTIES IAW REF A AS APPROVED BY REF B.

D. BOWDITCH CONTINUE SURVEY WITH EFFORT IN PAC AREAS AS DESCRIBED BY CINCPACFLT REP TO NAVOCEANO REP.

E. IF MICHelson DELAYED BEYOND SKED IN PARA 2 REF A, DELAY DEPARTURE OF BOWDITCH AS NECESSARY BUT NOT BEYOND 15 DEC.

F. SPECTROJOFF WILL ENSURE PROJECT 435 PROGRAMS ARE ON BOARD PACIFIC SSBS PRIOR TO PATROL DEPLOYMENT.

G. SPECTROJOFF WILL INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF INSTALLING CYRO MONITOR IN PACIFIC SSBS PRIOR TO PATROL DEPLOYMENT AND ADVISE IF THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT EXTENSION OF PSA OF DEPLOYMENT DATES.

3. ENTIRE SCHEDULE OF MAJOR EVENTS IS GEARED TO PROVIDE REQUIRED SUPPORT FOR FIRST POLARIS SUBMARINE PATROL IN DEC 64. ALTHOUGH TOTAL

NAVIGATIONAL PRODUCTS AVAILABLE IN DEC WILL BE LESS THAN ORIGINALLY PLANNED, IF TIMETABLE IS MET BY ALL CONCERNED, THE OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT CAN BE SATISFACTORILY FULFILLED. IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT STATUS AND PROJECTION OF COAST GUARD LORAN C EFFORTS AND NAVOC EANO SURVEY EFFORTS BE AVAILABLE TO ALL CONCERNED. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST A MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT FROM COMDT COGARD AND FROM NAVOCEANO COMMENCING 15 MAY 64 WITH ANY SIGNIFICANT EVENTS REPORTED AS OCCURRING.

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