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OPERATION ORDER
CCGDFOURTEEN NO. 6-77 (PACIFIC LORAN-A)

Time Zone: Use time zone ZULU for operations.

Task Organization:

a. Commander, Fourteenth Coast Guard District, RADM J. W. MOREAU, 476 03 5263, USCG

(1) CCGD14(o)	CAPT H. G. HOLMGREN,	, USCG
(2) CCGD14(e)	CAPT G. O. LESPERANCE,	, USCG
(3) CCGD14(m)	CAPT R. F. EWELS,	, USCG
(4) CCGD14(p)	CDR J. R. SPROAT, (LCDR J. F. GREENE, JR.,	, USCG , USCG)
(5) CCGD14(f)	CDR L. GRAHAM,	, USCG
(6) CCGD14(d1)	CDR L. F. ALCANTARA, (LCDR M. J. JACOBS,	, USCG , USCG)
(7) CCGD14(dpa)		
	(LT B. M. GENEZ,	, USCG)

- b. Commanding Officer, CG Air Station Barbers Point CAPT A. C. TINGLEY, JR., , USCG
- c. Commander, CG Section Far East CAPT M. J. FONTAINE, USCG
- d. Commander, CG Section Marianas CAPT C. R. GILLETT, USCG
 - e. Senior CG Officer Philippines CDR J. W. KLOTZ, USCG
- f. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Yap LTJG D. A. STUART, USCG
 - g. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Saipan LTJG T. S. SULLIVAN, , USCG

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- h. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Wake Island LTJG M. M. BLUME, , USCG (LTJG F. M. ROSA, JR., , USCG)
- Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Iwo Jima LT A. LEGAULT, , USCG (LT E. E. PAGE, , USCG)
- j. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Gesashi LTJG C. K. WATANABE, , USCG
- k. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Enewetak LTJG F. J. WILLIAMS, , USCG
- Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Kwajalein LTJG R. M. SEBEK, USCG
- m. Commanding Officer, CG LORSTA Angaur LTJG P. A. THIBAULT, , USCG
- n. Officer in Charge, CG LORSTA Orote Pt ETC C. R. BARBER, , USCG
- Commanding Officer, LORTAD Manila LT D. T. JONES, USCG
- 1. <u>Situation</u>: Commandant (G-CCS) letter 16561.1/7A of 25 March 1977 directed CCGD14 to discontinue operation of all Loran-A in the Fourteenth Coast Guard District, with exception of the Hawaiian Chain, and to disestablish the Loran-A facilities at the following ten units:
 - a. Loran Station Yap
 - b. Loran Station Saipan
 - c. Loran Station Wake Island
 - d. Loran Station Iwo Jima
 - e. Loran Station Gesashi
 - f. Loran Station Enewetak
 - g. Loran Station Kwajalein
 - h. Loran Station Angaur
 - i. Loran Station Orote Point

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j. LORTAD Manila

Of the ten units involved, four stations are to remain as operating Loran-C Stations: Yap, Iwo Jima, Gesashi, Saipan (Monitor function). The remainder are to be decommissioned. This action is to be completed on 31 December 1977.

a. Friendly Forces:

- (1) Kwajalein Missile Range, U. S. Army
- (2) Space and Missile Test Center, U. S. Air Force
- (3) Pacific Air Force
- (4) Defense Nuclear Agency
- (5) Engineering Systems Command, Pacific Division, U. S. Navy
- 2. <u>Mission</u>: To provide for the timely and effective termination of the Pacific area Loran-A facilities and for the decommissioning of the five Loran Stations and one Loran Support Unit.

Execution:

a. CCGD14(o) will:

- (1) Maintain cognizance over the execution of this OPORDER, coordinate the activities of other commands and staff components, keep CCGD14 advised as to the status of execution, and arrange for exchange of necessary information between CCGD14, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard and Commander, U. S. Coast Guard Pacific Area.
- (2) Arrange for necessary notices and corrections to publications reflecting changes in USCG navigational, communication, and administrative functions in the Pacific area.
- (3) As necessary, assign Coast Guard ships and aircraft to provide transportation for personnel and material leaving the stations.
- (4) Direct disposition of all unit's vehicles and small boats in accordance with current directives.
- (5) Coordinate with Section Offices or Stations, as applicable, the disposition of classified material, ordnance material, and any other valuable material which must be removed from the stations.

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(6) Reassign duties and responsibilities, such as short range AtoN, now being performed on a collateral basis by the Loran Stations.

b. CCGD14(e) will:

- (1) Prepare lists of electronic, power generating, and other equipment and tools which should be removed from the station, determine the disposition of this equipment, and advise CCGD14(f) of transportation requirements for Wake, Enewetak, Kwajalein, and LORTAD Manila.
- (2) Advise CCGD14(f) of government property to be surveyed or otherwise disposed of.

c. CCGD14(m) will:

- (1) Prepare an environmental assessment of the closing of all stations except those located in Japan and the Philippines with input supplied by the Section Offices.
- (2) Determine the need and prepare, if necessary, a negative statement or an EIS, depending on the findings of the assessments for each of the stations.

d. CCGD14(p) will:

- (1) Coordinate with Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard, Section Offices, and units the transfer and rotation of USCG personnel assigned to the stations involved and advise CCGD14(f) of travel requirements for personnel leaving stations.
- (2) Arrange for disestablishment, on decommissioning of stations, of welfare and morale funds and other activities under cognizance of the Personnel Division.
- (3) Terminate employment of indigenous civilian employees at stations.

e. CCGD14(f) will:

- (1) Coordinate budget and allocation adjustments indicated by the decommissioning of units with input from Section Offices.
 - (2) Arrange transportation in support of this OPORDER.
- (3) Coordinate with District program managers to identify all property for intra-district transfer.

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- (4) Coordinate with Section Offices or LORSTA CO's as applicable regarding material to be left on station or transferred to local activities, and ensure that such material is left in a condition which will not present a safety hazard or nuisance to the recipient or to persons or activities in the vicinity.
- (5) Coordinate with USAF (PACAF) regarding status of family quarters, accountable property, and mechanical/electrical systems at Loran Station Wake Island.
 - (6) Terminate ISSA's, Land Use Agreements, leases, and contracts.
- (7) Direct, advise, and assist as necessary, the CO's of Wake, Enewetak, Kwajalein, and LORTAD Manila in disestablishing or cancelling general messes, and other funds, accounts and authorization under the cognizance of the Comptroller Division.
- (8) Arrange for survey or other disposition of government property not being retained by the Coast Guard. Except for electronic equipment, all real or plant property may be declared excess and disposed of on site or utilized to meet district requirements, subject to applicable provisions of lease, inter-government agreements or residual rights agreements.

f. CCGD14(dl) will:

- (1) Assist Section Offices and CCGD14(f) in terminating ISSA's, Land Use Agreements, leases and contracts as necessary.
- (2) Assist Section Offices, CCGD14(e) and CCGD14(f) as necessary in transferring Coast Guard property to other government agencies.

g. CCGD14(dpa) will:

(1) When advised by CCGD14 that release is authorized, make appropriate press releases covering the disestablishment of the loran chains.

h. CO, CG Air Station Barbers Point will:

(1) Provide aircraft for transportation of personnel and material leaving the Loran Stations, as directed by CCGD14(o).

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Commander, Section Offices will:

- (1) Maintain cognizance within the Section over the execution of this OPORDER, coordinate the activities of Section staff and Loran Station Commanding Officers. Receive and compile monthly phasedown message reports from stations and forward to CCGD14(o). After 1 October 1977 phasedown reports are required bi-weekly.
- (2) Coordinate with CCGD14(o) the disposition of classified material, ordnance material, and any other valuable material which must be removed from the stations.
- (3) Coordinate with CCGD14(e) in preparation of lists of electronic, power generating, and other equipment which should be removed from the stations, determine disposition of this equipment and advise CCGD14(f) of transportation requirements.
- (4) Advise CCGD14(f) of government property to be surveyed or otherwise disposed of.
- (5) Provide input to environmental assessments being made by CCGD14(m) as necessary.
 - (6) Advise CCGD14(p) of personnel transportation requirements.
- (7) Arrange for disestablishment, on decommissioning of stations, of welfare and morale funds and other activities under cognizance of the Personnel Division.
- (8) Terminate employment of indigenous civilian employees at stations.
- (9) Provide input to CCGD14(f) on budget and allocation adjustments indicated by the decommissioning of stations.
- (10) Coordinate with CCGD14(f) regarding material to be left on stations or transferred to local activities, and ensure that such material is left in a condition which will not present a safety hazard or nuisance to the recipient or to persons or activities in the vicinity.
- (11) With assistance from CCGD14(d1), terminate ISSA's, Land Use Agreements, leases and contracts.
- (12) Assist Commanding Officers of stations in disestablishing or cancelling general messes, and other funds, accounts and authorizations under the cognizance of the Comptroller Division.

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j. Station Commanding Officers will:

- (1) Confer with local friendly forces regarding disposition of buildings and equipment, make recommendations to CCGD14 or Section Office as applicable and coordinate transfer of approved items.
- (2) Maintain local liaison regarding all phases of the disestablishment of their chain and decommissioning of the stations.
- (3) Submit monthly SITREPs to Section Office or CCGD14(o) as applicable. After 1 October 1977 increase frequency of SITREP to biweekly.
- (4) Decommission stations in accordance with USCG regulations and other pertinent directives.
- (5) Maintain reliable Loran-A service until the date designated for disestablishment of that service.
- (6) All property not destined for intra-district transfer will be surveyed locally in accordance with current instructions. Copies of surveys and transfer documents shall be forwarded to CCGD14(f) or Section Office as applicable. Abandonment on site is authorized.
- 4. Administration and Logistics: Normal USCG administrative and logistic channels and procedures will apply. Additional Coast Guard air or surface transportation for cargo and personnel will be provided.

Command and Signal:

- a. Communications in accordance with CCGDFOURTEEN OPLAN 1-(YR), ANNEX PAPA.
- (1) Commander, Fourteenth Coast Guard District at the Pacific International Building, 677 Ala Moana, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.

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ANNEXES:

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ANNEX ALPHA

YAP LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Yap Loran Station is located on the Island of Gagil-Tomil in the Western Caroline Islands and is connected to the main island, Yap, by means of a bridge. Coast Guard property on Gagil-Tomil consists of 203 acres used under terms of a land use agreement with the TTPI. The island is administered by the TTPI. The Loran Station has a personnel allowance of two officers and thirty-one enlisted and is a self-sufficient unit.
- 2. The Loran-A facility is to be removed, with the station continuing operation as the Zulu secondary in the Northwest Pacific Loran-C chain.
- 3. Aids to Navigation in Yap consist of one light, six unlighted buoys, and seventeen daybeacons. Aids are serviced by the Guam-based WLB.
- 4. Yap is a double Master Loran-A station on rates 2Ll and 2L2 and a Loran-C SS3-Z secondary station.
- 5. Planned billet reductions: 1 ET1 1 ET2
- Planned indigenous position reductions: none

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ANNEX BRAVO

SAIPAN LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Saipan Loran Station is located on the southern end of the Island of Saipan, Mariana Islands. The island is administered by the Government of the Northern Marianas. Coast Guard property consists of approximately twenty-six acres under land use agreement with TTPI. The personnel allowance is two officers and eighteen enlisted. This is a family station.
- 2. The Loran-A facility will be removed but the station will remain as a Loran-C Monitor, Northwest Pacific Chain.
- 3. Aids to Navigation at Saipan consist of three lights, two lighted buoys, and ten unlighted buoys. The Loran Station is responsible for operation and maintenance of the Tanapag Harbor Range Lights. The remaining aids are serviced by the Guam-based WLB.
- 4. Saipan is a single master Loran-A station on rate 2L3 and is the monitor for the Northwest Pacific chain Loran-C, SS3.
- 5. Saipan Loran Station will be re-designated Saipan Loran Monitor Station.
- 6. Planned billet reductions: 1 ET2

1 - ELC4

1 - ET3

1 - SN

7. Planned indigenous position reductions: none

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ANNEX CHARLIE

WAKE ISLAND LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Wake Island is a U. S. possession administered by the USAF. It is actually three islands. The Coast Guard Loran Station is located on Peale Island. The Loran Station has a personnel allowance of one officer and eight enlisted who perform loran operations only. All other facilities and services are provided by the USAF.
- 2. There is little possibility that the Coast Guard would have a future requirement for use of Peale Island. Therefore, rights to the property and to the six sets of family quarters need not be reserved.
- 3. There are no hydrographic aids to navigation at Wake.
- 4. Wake is a single secondary Loran-A station on rate 1H1.
- 5. Planned billet reductions: 1 LTJG

1 - BMC

1 - MK1

1 - ET2

2 - ET3

2 - SN

1 - ET1

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ANNEX DELTA

IWO JIMA LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Iwo Jima Loran Station, in the Kazan Retto Group, is 660 nautical miles from Tokyo, Japan. The island is owned and administered by Japan. The station personnel allowance is two officers and thirty-seven enlisted men.
- 2. The Loran-A facility will be removed with no Japanese takeover anticipated. The Loran-C operations will remain.
- 3. There are no aids to navigation maintained by the station at Iwo Jima.
- 4. The Loran Station is a double master Loran-A on rates 2H6 and 2H7 and a Loran-C master for SS3.
- 5. Planned billet reductions: 1 ET1 1 ET2 1 ET3

3 - SN

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ANNEX ECHO

GESASHI LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Gesashi Loran Station is located on Okinawa which is owned and administered by Japan. The 180 acres of Coast Guard property is held under a land use agreement with that country. The Loran Station personnel allowance is two officers and thirty-three enlisted.
- 2. The Loran-A facility will be removed from the station and turned over to the Government of Japan for operation in their own adjacent facility. The Loran-C facility will remain under Coast Guard operation.
- 3. There are no U. S. aids to navigation in this area.
- 4. Gesashi is a triple secondary A station on rates 2H5, 2H6, and 2S7 and a Loran-C SS3-Y secondary station.
- 5. Planned billet reductions: 1 ET1 2 ET2
 - 1 ET3
- 6. Planned indigenous position reductions: none

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ANNEX FOXTROT

ENEWETAK LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Enewetak is one of 42 islets in the Enewetak Atoll. Although Enewetak is geographically within the limits of the TTPI, it is controlled entirely by the Defense Nuclear Agency. Island operation and maintenance is by a contractor, MATSCO. Loran Station personnel allowance is one officer and eight enlisted who perform loran operations only. Messing, berthing, and primary power are provided by the USAF. Coast Guard property, used under the terms of a permit dated 15 August 1950, totals 7.76 acres.
- 2. There is no foreseeable future use of Enewetak by the Coast Guard. USAF use of the island varies from year to year, and it is doubtful that any part of the island could be reserved for future use. The USN will act as real estate agents in disposal of Loran-A real property.
- 3. Aids to navigation at Enewetak consist of three unlighted buoys maintained by Honolulu-based WLBs.
- 4. Enewetak is a double Loran-A master station on rates 1H1 and 1H2.
- 5. Planned billet reductions:

1 - LTJG

1 - BMC

1 - ET1

1 - ET2

2 - ET3

2 - SN

1 - MK2

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ANNEX GOLF

KWAJALEIN LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Kwajalein Loran Station is located on Ebeye Island, Kwajalein Atoll, Marshall Island District, TTPI. Coast Guard property on Ebeye consists of 13.294 acres used under terms of a land use agreement with the TTPI and Navy Permit No. Y (R) 45248. Ebeye Island is administered by the TTPI. Most of the remainder of the island is devoted to residency of the local civilian inhabitants. Kwajalein Island is administered by the U. S. Army. The Army (KMR) and the contractor provide many services for the Loran Station. The Loran Station has a personnel allowance of one officer and twelve enlisted and is basically a self-sufficient unit.
- 2. There is no foreseeable future use of the Loran Station by the Coast Guard. The property is too small for a Loran-C Station. The U. S. Navy will act as real estate agents in disposal of Loran-A real property.
- 3. Aids to navigation in the Kwajalein Atoll consist of twenty lighted buoys, twenty-one unlighted buoys, and two shore daybeacons. Aids are serviced by Honolulu-based WLBs.
- 4. Kwajalein is a single Loran-A secondary station on rate 1H2.
- 5. Planned billet reductions: 1 LTJG
 - 1 BMC
 - 1 MK1
 - 1 ET1
 - 1 SS1
 - 1 ET2
 - 1 HM2
 - 1 MK3
 - 2 ET3
 - 2 SN
 - 1 FN
- 6. Planned indigenous position reductions: carpenter

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ANNEX HOTEL

ANGAUR LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Angaur Loran Station and the island of that name are located at the southern end of the Palauan Island chain. Coast Guard property is under land use agreement with TTPI and the island is administered by its own Magistrate who is elected to office annually. Station personnel allowance is one officer and fourteen enlisted.
- 2. The Loran-A Station and monitor function will be removed.
- 3. There are no aids to navigation at Angaur.
- 4. Angaur is a single secondary Loran-A station on rate 2Ll and is the monitor for rate 2L2.
- 5. Planned mission requirements and billet changes will be the subject of separate correspondence between CCGD14, Commander, Coast Guard Marianas Section and the Commanding Officer, CG Loran Station Angaur.

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ANNEX INDIA

OROTE PT LORSTA DETAILS

- 1. Orote Point Loran Station is located on the U.S. Navy Base on Guam, a U.S. possession. The station personnel allowance is eight enlisted who receive berthing and messing support from the Navy.
- 2. The station is to be decommissioned.
- 3. All aids to navigation located on Guam are serviced by the WLB stationed there.
- 4. Orote Point is a double secondary Loran-A station on rates 2L2 and 2L3 with monitor responsibility for rate 2L1.
- Planned billet reductions: 1 ETC

1 - ET1

1 - ET2

2 - ET3

3 - SN

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ANNEX JULIET

LORTAD MANILA DETAILS

1. The Coast Guard Loran-A Technical Assistance Detail (LORTAD) Manila is staffed with three officers and four enlisted and provides assistance to the Philippine Coast Guard for the operation of Loran-A stations in that country. This technical assistance is provided, in addition to financial and spare parts support, under a U. S./Philippine agreement which expires 31 December 1977. At that time the LORTAD Detail will be withdrawn from Manila as per Commandant, Coast Guard 221002Z APR 77.

Planned billet reductions:

1 - LT

1 - ETC

1 - F&S4

1 - ELC4

1 - EM1

1 - MKC

1 - YN1

3. Planned indigenous position reductions: equipment specialist

clerical assistant

*military personnel clerk

*(Transfer to MMD Staff)

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ANNEX KILO

SCHEDULE

1. To be distributed under separate cover upon receipt of Operating Facility Change Orders.

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ANNEX LIMA

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CCGD14	30
CG AIRSTA BARBERS PT	3
COMFESEC	3
COMARSEC	3
SCGOP	3
LORSTA YAP	3
LORSTA SAIPAN	3
LORSTA WAKE ISLAND	3
LORSTA IWO JIMA	3
LORSTA GESASHI	3
LORSTA ENEWETAK	3
LORSTA KWAJALEIN	3
LORSTA ANGAUR	3
LORSTA OROTE PT	3
LORTAD MANILA	3
KWAJALEIN MISSILE RANGE	3
SAMTEC	3
PACAF	3
DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY	3
ENG. SYS. COMMAND, PAC DIV	3