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Cape San Juan, Puerto Rico; acquisition of land and right-of-way at

Ref: (a) E Memo to CCS via O dtd 10 October 1955, Serial 014 (ECV-2) with First Endorsement from O dtd 18 Oct 1955 concerning subject matter (Confidential)

1. In accordance with reference (a), approved by the Deputy Chief of Staff on 27 October, it is requested that steps be taken through the Commander, Seventh CG District and such other agency as may be appropriate to acquire land at Cape San Juan, P.R. for Loran Transmitting Station purposes in accordance with the provisions set forth below and as described in the enclosures hereto. This Office will advise the Department of Defense of such action and of any significant developments thereunder - accordingly, it is further requested that copies of all correspondence originated by the Legal Division pertaining to subject matter be forwarded to this Office.

- A. All future correspondence relating to the acquisition of land at Cape San Juan, as a selected Loran site, for which construction plans are in the process of preparation, may be treated as unclassified matter. The enclosures hereto have accordingly been prepared for transmittal as unclassified matter.
- B. It is recommended that the purported owner of said property, the Fajardo Sugar Corporation, Fajardo, Puerto Rico (Mr. Rafael A. Veve, Administrator) be approached first in an attempt to purchase the property and that immediate rights of entry be obtained pending settlement. If subsequent investigation (prior to payment) discloses that title to the property cannot be clearly established, it is requested that appropriate condemnation proceedings be instituted at an early date.
- C. In addition to the 14.55 acre plot and right-of-way to be acquired as described in the enclosure hereto, it is noted that the Light Station presently uses an access road from the public highway to the station site by acquiescence of the owner in addition to a formally granted access right-of-way from an existing boat landing. It is recommended that no attempt be made to formalize such existing privilege at this time unless the owner makes an issue of same and that Commander, Seventh CG District be so advised.

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2. A copy of the Loran Site Survey Report of the site in question is being forwarded under separate cover for use in connection with this land acquisition matter. It is requested that said copy be returned to the Shore Units Division when it has served its purpose.

3. Additional copies of the enclosures hereto are available in the Civil Engineering Division.

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H. C. PERKINS

Encl: (1) Five (5) copies Site Description,
Cape San Juan, P. R.
(2) Five (5) copies Drawing 105747 dated
29 September 1955

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