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From: Commandant
To : Commander, Fourteenth Coast Guard District (CCS)

Subj: Pacific LORAN-C Program

Ref : (a) Coast (OAN) ltr dtd 4 Dec 1958, serial 001027
(b) Preliminary Site Investigation Group ltr to Coast (CCS)
dtd 21 March 1959

1. Reference (a) contained a broad outline of the LORAN-C program in the Pacific Ocean area, the code name for which is DOOR. Reference (b) forwarded the conclusions and recommendations of the preliminary site investigation group to the Commandant (CCS). The latter recommended as primary sites: Upolu Point, Hawaii Island, Hawaii; Sand Island, Johnston Island; and Green Island, Kure Island, Hawaii.

2. These sites are approved for planning purposes. Headquarters is prosecuting acquisition of Sand Island, Johnston Island. It is requested that you determine the availability of land adjacent to the existing LORAN-A site at Upolu Point, Hawaii and, further, reserve from the State of Hawaii, Green Island, Kure Island, for LORAN-C use.

3. Headquarters is informally coordinating air space problems with the Federal Aviation Agency. Formal air space authorization will be accomplished by the District at a later date.

4. Final detailed site surveys are scheduled for September and October, 1959. Logistic support necessary for the survey team will be the subject of separate correspondence at a later date.

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Encl: (1) PSIG ltr 21 Mar 1959

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