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Ref: (a) CLOVER ltr dtd 3 June 1959, file A4-3 (b) Attu Loran Station ltr dtd 22 June 1959, file L8-1

1. With the departure of the Navy from Attu Island it became necessary for the Coast Guard to assume primary responsibility for the logistic support of Attu Loran Station. The initial attospt to provide adequate support took the form of scheduling monthly legistic trips by the CLOVER between Adak and Attu. The absence of the CLOVER from the Adak area during most of the winter quarter necessarily resulted in the inability to accomplish the desired number of trips. Such absences will continue every two years. Host of the months of April, July and October each year sust be utilized by the CLOVER in servicing aids to navigation in the Bristol and Kuskokwim Bays and Horton and Kotzebue Sounds because of the seasonal nature of the aids in those regions. These long periods and the quarterly three-week availability period often make it impracticable to schedule attu logistic trips on a monthly basis. In some cases the unexpected but welcome support provided by Maval aircraft and surface vesselo has practically duplicated trips by the CLOVER and rendered the necessity of that particular tender trip questionable.

2. After analyzing the comments contained in references (a) and (b), it is now planned to schedule two trips by the CLOVER to attu each quarter at as near to equal intervals as is feasible in view of other known operational committeents of the vessel. It is the intention that the trips be made as nearly on the specified dates as is practicable with respect to weather and SAR operations. These trips are to be firm committeents and will not be cancelled due to other unscheduled Navy support which might occur near the same dates. The dates of the CLOVER trips to Attu will be published in the quarterly logistic schedule promulgated by this office.

3. Although this procedure should prove satisfactory, it will be subject to revision after a reasonable trial period. Consents on the effectiveness of this program are desired from the CLOVEE and Attu-Loran Station when an evaluation can be made.

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