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**IN REPLY
REFER TO: AL-840**

From: Commander, Naval Air Bases, Seventeenth Naval District
To: 17th Coast Guard District
P. O. Box 2631
Juneau, Alaska
FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY, ALASKAN REGION, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

Subj: Dear Sir: Low Frequency Radio Range Antenna Tuning Units; disposition of

Ref: It is planned that a flight inspection mission of the Federal Aviation Agency will be going to Shemya, Alaska, sometime during the period of August 5-16, 1963. We propose to send with it a crew of men to remove the antenna tuning units from the Attu radio range site as authorized in the enclosed copy of a letter from the Commander, Naval Air Bases, Seventeenth Naval District.

1. We ask the assistance of the commander, USCG LORAN Station, Attu, to the extent of providing transportation of the work crew from the airfield to the range site and the return of the crew and tuning units to the airfield. We expect that the crew will be landed by a flight from Shemya in the morning and picked up in the evening of the same day.

3. If for any reason this assistance cannot be given, we ask that you inform us by message as soon as possible so that the dispatch of the work crew can be canceled.

Handwritten signature
Sincerely yours,

M. W. MUNK
By direction
Richard C. Young, Chief
Systems Maintenance Division

Copy to:
CO NAVSTA ADAK
USCG LORAN Station, ATTU
RAIM KODIAK
Enclosure

COMMANDER FLEET AIR ALASKA/COMMANDER NAVAL AIR BASES
SEVENTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT

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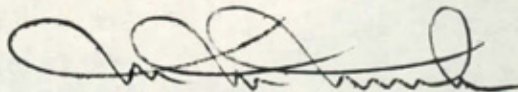
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From: Commander, Naval Air Bases, Seventeenth Naval District
To : Federal Aviation Agency, Alaskan Region, Anchorage,
Alaska

Subj : Attu Low Frequency Radio Range Antenna Tuning Units;
disposition of

Ref : (a) BUWEPS Ltr Ser: 31/5385 of 20 Sep 1962
(b) FAA Alaskan Region Ltr of 7 Feb 1963

1. Reference (a) authorizes the disposal of the Attu low frequency range equipment that is in excess of Navy requirements. Reference (b) requested that FAA be permitted to remove the five antenna tuning units from the Attu range for use elsewhere in Alaska.
2. Commander, Naval Air Bases, Seventeenth Naval District has no objections to these tuning units being removed and retained by FAA for use as requested in reference (b).
3. By copy of this letter the U. S. Naval Station, Adak is requested to delete five tuning units from the Attu inventory list.



M. W. MUNK
By direction

Copy to:
CO NAVSTA ADAK
USCG Loran Station, ATTU
RAIM KODIAK

AUG 5 1960

From: Commandant, Seventeenth Naval District
To: Regional Administrator, Federal Aviation Agency, Region 5
PO Box 440, Anchorage, Alaska

Subj: Radio Range Station on Attu; request for information concerning

Ref: (a) CCGD SEVENTEEN ltr ser 5160 of 1 Dec 1959
(b) CCGD SEVENTEEN ltr ser 10050 of 29 Apr 1960
(c) FAA Region 5 ltr - Flight Check Report of 3 Jul 1959
(d) CNO ltr ser 969P53 of 13 Oct 1959

1. The radio range station on Attu Island, under operational and management control of the Commandant, SEVENTEENTH Naval District, is presently being maintained by the U.S. Coast Guard on Attu as a long range air navigational aid at the end of the Aleutian chain.
2. Reference (a) informs the Commandant, SEVENTEENTH Naval District of the relocation of the loran station on Attu effective 1 October 1960 and the willingness of the Coast Guard to continue the operation of the radio range station; providing the Navy would install $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of power cable from the new site, including necessary transformers to complete the task, at an estimated cost of \$85,000.

By reference (b), the Commandant, SEVENTEENTH Naval District was informed by Commander, SEVENTEENTH Coast Guard District that Coast Guard funds were not available to provide engine generators suitable for unattended operation. In addition, the Coast Guard requirements can be met on an interim basis by manual keying of the AN/PRT-17 communications transmitter.
3. By copy of reference (c), the Commandant, SEVENTEENTH Naval District was apprised of the potential of the Attu range as a long range air navigational aid from the Federal Aviation Agency point of view; therefore, the facilities were not disestablished in support of provisions outlined in reference (d).
4. In view of the inability of the U.S. Coast Guard to provide technical maintenance and the necessary power for operation, coupled with the non-availability of Navy funds to provide for installation of a power cable from the relocated loran station, the Commandant, SEVENTEENTH Naval District plans to disestablish the Attu range station on 1 October 1960.
5. The Regional Administrator of the Fifth Region, Federal Aviation Agency is requested to notify this command of the progress of the FAA toward providing a long range air navigational aid at the extremity of the Aleutian chain in

support of their requirements. In addition, if a continued requirement exists for the Attu radio range station, would the Federal Aviation Agency be able to provide the financial and maintenance support presently being supplied by the Navy and Coast Guard?

6. By copy of this letter, the Chief of Naval Operations (Op-534) is requested to submit any objections to the planned disestablishment on 1 October 1960, and to affect liaison with the FAA for possible transfer of control to the FAA.

H. H. CALDWELL

Copy to:

CNO (Op-534)

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Commander, SEVENTEENTH CG District

CO, NAVSTA, Adak