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1 December 1948 (date)

1. Reporting Unit: Attu Loran Trans. Station ; 13th Coast Guard District

2. Operations:

(a) Mission, primary (refer OPFAC, Part III, Section A): Loran Transmitting Station

172° 541 75" =,

(1) Rate (s): 110

(2) Type of station (slave, monitor, etc.): Slave station (single)

(3) Other stations in chain (list): Amchitka (master 110), St. Faul, Umnak

(b) Additional tasks (list any operational or administrative duties performed, or for which the unit is responsible, other than those incident to primary mission, above; indicate amount of work performed under each type of duty listed):

None

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3. Site:

(d) The site at Theodore Point, Attu, is described as:

"Property of government used by Coast Guard at no cost, no definite area, no title of authority available."

The entire island of Attu is under the control of the Navy. Theodore Point Light Station will be disestablished upon completion of the new station at Murder Point during summer of 1949.

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1.	Reporting Unit Loran Trans. Station, Attu ; 13th	Coast Guard Distric
2.	Location:	
	(a) Place Name: Theodore Point, Attu, Island, Aleutian	Chain, Alaska
	(b) Latitude: 52° 45° 11" N. ; Longitude: 172	2° 541 43" E.
3.	Site:	
	(a) Location chart: On inclosure 1, appended, draw in any other items of special significance to Coast Galocality, except those of a higher than "unclassiftion.	pard interests in the
	(b) Photos: Obtain, mark "inclosure 2", and append a unit, including, if practicable, an aerial view (of (Note: To be augmented as necessary from district mander reviewing the report. An up-to-date definition preferably 8"x102", is desired.)	blique) from 1500 feet. files by District Com-
	(c) Sketch: Prepare, mark "inclosure 3", and append a convenient scale, showing boundaries of the site at ings and other important features. (Note: Name of sketch to agree with name or number used in paragraphs.)	nd location of all build- r number buildings in
	(d) Status of occupancy of site: (Note: To be filled reviewing the report)	in by District Commander
	(1) Coast Guard-owned (fee simple title)? (2) " " (use and occupation title)? (3) Leased? (4) Occupied on permit? (5) Otherwise occupied, as follows:	

(e) Physiography: Prepare, mark "inclosure 4", and append a brief summarized description of the physiography of (1) the local region and (2) the unit's site. Include information as to type of soil, evidence of erosion, amount of vegetation, hills, slopes, elevations, cliffs, beaches, waterways, climate and other important physical characteristics. Clearly indicate any features which have special significance to Coast Guard interests in the locality.

4. Structures (except wharves):

(a) Prepare, mark "inclosure 5A", "inclosure 5B", etc., and append a "Structure Form" for each structure (except wharves) on the station. (Note: A sample "Structure Form" is attached.)

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		(unit)	(date)	
	(b)	Berthing and messing	g capacity of unit as now equipped: 1	officers;
	-(c)	additional equipment	d messing capacity of unit, conditional upon t as listed in "inclosure 6": 2 of d. (prepare, mark "inclosure 6", and append he unit to permit full utilization of availa	ficers; a list of
5.	Com	munications:		
	(a)	Mail:		
		(1) Mailing address	: CG Loran Transmitting Station, Theodore Po	int, % NAF,
			Attu, Alaska of mail and method of delivery (fill in only	
Seat	tle,	(2) MATS to Kodiak, (3) Normal frequency Varies from two	(3) MATS to Massacre Bay, Attu, and (4) hik y of delivery: Theodore Point, weather permi weeks to four months depending on the we	ing party to tting athers
			ay in transit and delivery at the unit of ma (fill in only if beyond Continental U.S.): four months	il from Con-
	(b)	Radio:		
	i thi		communication equipment installed? Yes	
		(2) Is CW radio comm	munication equipment installed? <u>Yes</u>	
	(c)	Telephone: NONE		
			ection to commercial exchange): ns to outside points:	
	(d)	Teletype: NONE		
		(1) Coast Guard net (2) Commercial (TWX) (3) Others (list):	?	
6.	Tra	nsportation:		
	(a)	General:		
			mathod of mouting fraight and passengers to	und+.

(1) Indicate normal method of routing freight and passengers to unit:

Freight: There is no "normal" routing of freight. Much of this unit's
freight is delivered to NOB, Adak, Alaska by OG, Army or Navy ships. After
a stowage period of from 1 to 6 months a CG cutter picks up most of it
and delivers it to Theodore Point (weather and surf permitting).

Passengers: MATS to Adak and CG cutter to Theodore Point; OR MATS TO
Massacre Bay, Attu and hike 20 miles over rugged terfain without seabags.

(unit)

(date)

(2) Are indicated methods reliable? No Adequate? No

If unreliable or inadequate, indicate why and, if possible, recommend more satisfactory routing: No more satisfactory routing can be recommended. However, the extreme isolated status of an Attu loran transmitting station will be relieved when the new station at Murder Point, Attu (b) Air: 1s commissioned.

(1) Airfields accessible to unit by vehicle or boat:

Name	Location	Distance from Unit	Via Vehicle or Boat (show which)	Type of Service	Airlines Serving
U.S. Navy	Massacre Bay Attu, Alaska	20 miles	Foot	None	MATS

(2) Seaplane landings accessible to unit by vehicle or boat:

Location of Distance Via Vehicle or Type of Airlines

Name Anchorage or Ramo from Unit Boat (show which) Service Serving

NONE

(c) Land:

- (1) Highways (cite main roads linking unit with, and distances from unit to, populated centers): NONE
- (2) Bus lines (cite hus lines linking unit with, and distances from unit to, populated centers): NONE
- (3) Railroads: NONE
 (a) Terminals accessible to unit by vehicle or boat:

Name Location Distance Via Vehicle or Type of RR Lines

Name Location from Unit Boat (show which) Service Serving

(b) Unit's RR freight address:

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appear below the surface 700 yards from the shore. They must be

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- (g) Surf and wind conditions affecting use: Average surf conditions are too rough for landings. Any strong breeze from ESE to WSW will kick up an impossible surf. During the high winds experienced on Attu it would not be advisable for a ship to be hove to anywhere near Theodore Point.
- (h) Precautions: Wait for a calm day. And keep a sharp lookout for submerged, or partly submerged rocks.
- (i) Types of boats suitable for landings: Buoy boat, motor surf boat, monomoy surf boat, LCVP.
- (j) Normal routes and methods of moving supplies to storage (indicate distance and type of terrain and roads traversed):

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The nearest beach (rocky), sometimes in a lee when the surf at the regular boat landing is too rough, is 3/4 mile from the station at the bottom of a practically vertical 240 foot cliff. No equipment is on hand to haul supplies up the cliff; and if they are pushed to the top by man power, they have to be packed to the station over soggy tundra and over a hill 400 feet above sea level.

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7. Logistics:

Attu Loran Trans. Station (Unit)

(a) Indicate sources of supply, etc., of following:

Normal Source CGC UNALGA	Frequency Of Delivery Yearly	Via (Method of Delivery)	Alternate Source NONE	Local Source NONE	Renerks
CGC UNALGA	Yearly, or perhaps semi- yearly	GGC UNALGA or GG Buoy Tender	Buoy Tender	None	
OGC UNALGA	Yearly	GGC UNALGA	OG BUOY TENEER	NONE Sta	Station storage facil- ities can only handle about a month's supply
OGC UNALGA	Yearly	GGC UNALGA	CG Buoy Tender	NONE	
GOG UNALGA	Yearly	CGC UNALGA	CG Byoy Tender	NONE	
CGC UNALGA	Yearly	CGC UNALGA	NONE	NONE	Lipo
CGC UNAIGA	Yealy	CGC UNALGA	CG Buoy Tender	NONE	A Louis
OGC UNALGA	Yearly	CGC UNALGA	OG Buoy Tender NONE	NONE	

(unit)

(date)

(b) Indicate source, method, and adequacy of water supply: Water seepage from the ground is collected in a 400 gallon tank halfway down the cliff due west of the office. From this tank water is pumped daily into a 400 gallon tank in the utility hut. Supply is more than adequate.

(c) Indicate source, method, and adequacy of electric power supply, including emergency supply: Electric power is supplied by three Caterpillar diesel AC generator sets; two are in operation at one time -- one on loran gear only and the other on station load, including communications. Aside from the third main engine, no emergency supply is present.

(d) Storage space:

in the second se	Cu. Ft.	Adequate?	Additional Required
Frozen Storage:	150	Yes	None
Chilled Storage:	24	Yes	None
Fresh Frts & Vegs: (except chilled)	Stowed	in dry provisions storeroom.	
Dry Provisions:	3360	Yes	None
	Gallons	How Stored Adequate?	Additional Required
Drinking Water	800	2 400 gal. tanks old floating	dock. None
Diesel Oil	40,000	Rusty bafrels & 3000 gal. tank.	
Gasoline	800	Rusty barrels Yes	None
Kerosene	100	Rusty barrels Yes	None
Coal (Tons)	None	10000	NOTE

- (e) Fuel requirements, annual; List: Dielel -- 30,000 gallons

 Gasoline -- 300 gallons

 Kerosene -- 50 gallons
- (f) Comment on adequacy of existing method of procuring, handling and storing supplies: Existing method of procuring, handling, and storing supplies is adequate in storage space alone. Supplies must be bucked up a cliff no matter where they are landed. Procurement is at the mercy of surf conditions and arrival off THEODORE POINT of CG vessels. Adequate procurement and handling will be realized when the new lown station, Murder Point, Attu is commissioned.

8. Security:

- (a) Describe provisions made and measures being taken to limit access to the unit (fences, gates, security watches, etc.): None
- (b) Are these provisions and measures adequate? _____ If not, explain:
- (c) Is trespass or attempted trespass by unauthorized persons considered likely: Explain: Not unless war is declared. U.S. service personnel only, within 360 miles.

(unit)

(d) What means has the unit at hand to defend itself against armed attack, sabotage, etc.? (Small arms, ammunition, etc. List):

<u>Allowed</u> 0	n Board	<u>A</u>	decuate	2 1	Remarks	
6 Rifles, .30 cal., M., bayonets	6.	in the st	Yes		None	
1 Rifle, target, .22 cal.	1		Yes		None	
6 Pistols, auto., .45 cal.	6		Yes		None	
1 Pistol, target, .22 cal.	1		Yes		None	
2 Guns, sub-machine, .45, cal.	2		Yes		None	
1 Gun, shot, 12 gauge	1		Yes		None	
Ammunition on hand or on order is while radio contact is being made	s adequate.	In case of	armed	attack,	delaying	action

(e) What local sources of armed assistance may be depended upon? (U.S. Army or Navy units, etc. List): None

(f) Firefighting equipment at unit:

On Board O	perative?	Adequate?	Remarks
22 15# 00 ² extinguishers 8 4# 00 ² extinguishers 5 Portable water pumps (1 gal.) 4 Carbon tet. extinguishers 1 Portable, gasoline, fire pump Station water pressure system	19. 8 5 4 1	Yes Yes Yes Yes	None None None None
(g) Are fire mains well-loca			, explain:

(Note: Indicate fire hydrants in red on inclosure 3)

- (h) What type of fire watch is maintained? Periodic check of all buildings throughout the day. Half hourly fire rounds made between the hours of 2200 and 0800.
- (i) What firefighting assistance from other sources may be depended upon?

9. Sanitation and Health:

- (a) Drinking water:
 - (1) What precautions are taken to insure that the supply is fit to drink? Beside the fact that the drinking water is allowed to settle before use none.

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(f) Diseases: Prepare, mark "inclosure 7", and append: (1) list of diseases common to the area against which, according to your best knowledge or belief special inoculations or other precautions are necessary. Indicate whether or not such inoculations or other precautions are being carried out; give details of precautions. (2) List of diseases or nilments which occur most frequently among unit's personnel. (Note: If in doubt as to precise medical nomenclature, give best information available.)

(g) Medical aid:

(1) Nearest hospital available for unit's use:

Distant 20 miles via

(2) Newrest regularly authorized source of professional medical treatment

Distant 20 miles via
Describe employment status of physician (U.S.P.H.S. officer; civilian contract physician, full time or part time, etc.)

U.S. Navy - full time

(3) Nearest regularly authorized source of professional dental treatment

Distant 360 miles via
Describe employment status of dentist:

U.S. Navy

- (4) Are services furnished as indicated in (1), (2) and (3) above satisfactory? No . If not explain: In case of medical emergency little hope can be entertained for getting a ship into the area coincident with good landing conditions for a matter of months.
- (5) Location of more convenient facilities for emergency medical or dental treatment (not regularly authorized): None

(unit)

(date)

- (6) What facilities and personnel are available at the unit for providing first aid treatment? A hospital man is included in the station's complement. In addition, all hands are instructed in first aid procedure bi-weekly. The station sickbay is well stocked with first aid kits, bandages of all sizes, splints both wire and traction, a litter, a surgical instrument kit for operations 60% complete, penicillin, etc. Are these adequate? Yes. If not, explain:
- (7) Are there any sanitary or medical service problems which make it desirable for a sanitary engineer or medical representative to visit the unit? (Indicate nature of problem.)

No

10. Welfare:

- (a) Family quarters:
 - (1) Are government cuarters provided at the unit? No ... If yes, for how many families?
 - (2) Are these adequate? If not, explain:
 - (3) Are privately owned rental quarters available in the area in quantities sufficient to meet the unit's reasonable needs?
- (b) Recreation:
 - (1) What types of recreation and what recreational facilities are available at the unit? (Underscore most popular types).

Hiking In the summer, fishing

Movies

Small arms practice

Cards

Pool (pool table is in fair condition)

Boxing

Photography (photography equipment is on order)

(date)

(unit)

- (2) What additional types of recreational facilities, within reason, might be provided to good advantage at this unit? None. Muddy conditions preclude outdoor sports.
- (3) What types of recreation and what recreational facilities are available in the nearby vicinity? None

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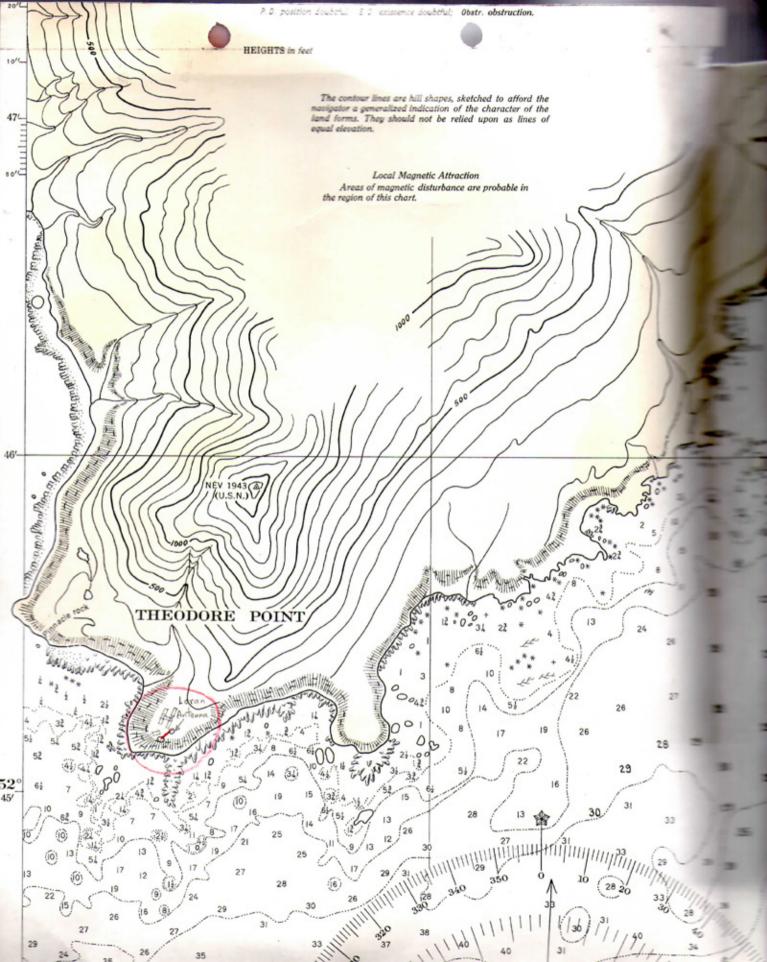
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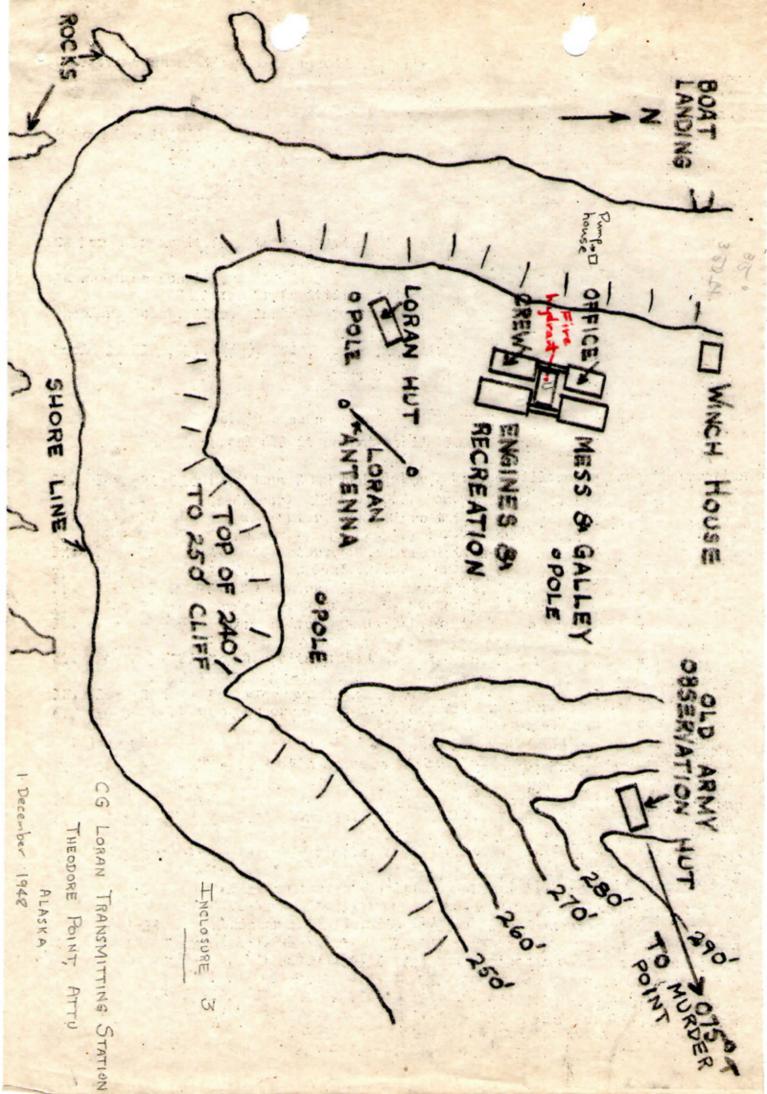
1. Reporting unit: Attu Loran Trans. Station ; 13th Coast Guard District

2. Work Load Estimates:

- (a) As applied to work-loads in inclosure 8 of this report, the term "optimum condition" shall mean "work-load imposed by performance of the unit's assigned tasks, including normal maintenance of unit and equipment"; "minimum condition" shall mean "work-load imposed by performance of the unit's assigned tasks, including emergency minor repair of equipment". The latter term shall represent the minimum work-load below which the unit may expect to cease effective operations.
- (b) Prepare, mark "inclosure 8A", "inclosure 8B", etc., and append a Work-Load Estimate sheet for the unit and one for each additional facility attached. In "man-hours/week" column, indicate estimated average work-load in the specific type of activity indicated on left-hand side of sheet. In the "recommended rating structure" column, do not break the rating down into chief, lc, 2c, 3c; show only the general classification, thus "ET", "EN", etc. (Note: A sample "Work Load Estimate" sheet is attached.)

NOTE: This operations report is a sound idea and appears to bring to light all pertinent data concerning a loran 'x station's operation (under both isolated and semi-isolated conditions). Inclosure 8 proved to be difficult to fill out due to the fact that practically all hands at this station stand loran watches (in pairs) at some time or other; and a technician or engineman does much maintenance work during his "off scope" time. Also yearly supply handling and emergency repairs yield heavy work loads but are infrequent. In the "optimum condition" supply handling was not included in the total man-hours per week.





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PHYSIOGRAPHY OF THEODORE POINT, ATTU ISLAND, ALASKA

Attu Island is treeless and tundra covered. Its terrain is rugged with snow covered mountains of 2000 to 3000 feet rising abruptly. From seaward the elevations may be described thusly: narrow "beaches", wither rock and/or sand; a cliff averaging 220 feet in height; a narrow plateau covered with a layer of tundra over soft muddy subsoil; followed by mountains arising without the presence of foothills.

In particular, the beach surrounding Theodore Point is extremely rocky and can be approached only in a small boat with caution. The cliff is between 240 and 250 feet high. The plateau extends approximately 400 yards to the base of a small mountain (1700 feet). In the station area, the tundra has been punctured by tractor operation, and at present the entire area is treacherous quagmire. Tractors are liable to sink over their treads. However, erosion is practically non-existent since water is soaked almost immediately into the ground. The matting of tundra is covered with short grass.

The climate of Theodore Point and Attu Island is of moderate temperature (range 25° to 60°F.) with the sky mainly overcast with rain and/or fog. Clear weather is infrequent. Winds vary, in many cases rapidly, from dead calm to hurricane force -- the strongest wind to date was logged at 129 m.p.h.

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STRUCTURE FORM: Inclosure 5A

- 1. Office (Quonset type hut). See Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 7840 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. The office building contains quarters for three men -- commanding officer, senior petty officer, and one other; office space; head and a storeroom.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STRUCTURE REPORT: Inclosure 5B

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- 1. Crew (Quonset type hut). See Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 9120 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This hut serves as the crew's barracks. As presently arranged it contains quarters and head facilities for 12 men.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STURCTURE FORM: Inclosure 50

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- 1. Mess and galley (Quonset type hut). See Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 11,680 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This but contains a commissary storeroom; galley; and as presently arranged with one mess table, messing facilities for 15 men.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STRUCTURE FORM: Inclosure 5D

- 1. Engines and recreation (Quonset type hut). Se Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 11,680 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This hut contains the threemain engines (diesel electric), engineer's storeroom, and recreation room.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STRUCTURES FORM: Inclosure 5E

- 1. "U", or utility but (Quonset type but). See Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 6400 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This hut houses the reefer, drinking water storage tanks and pump, the carpenter shop, photography dark room and washing machine. It also acts as a passageway inter-connecting the four main buildings of the "H". In foul weather a man can enter any building of the "H" without going outside.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STRUCTURE FORM: Inclosure 5F

- 1. Loran hut (Quonset type hut). Se Inclosure 3
- 2. Cubic capacity: 7680 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This hut contains the loran timers and transmitters, radio communications gear, and electronics storeroom.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STURCTURE FORM: Inclosure 5G

- 1. Winch house (canvas sides and sheet metal roof). See Inclosure 3.
- 2. Cubic capacity: 1376 cu. ft., approximately.
- 3. This house contains the winch used when supplies are hauled up the 350 foof incline (35°) from the boat landing.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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STRECTURE FORM: Inclosure 5H

- 1. Old Army Observation Hut (Quonset type hut). See Inclosure 3.
- 2. Cubic capacity: 7680 cu. ft., approximately
- 3. This hut is used for the sotwage of miscellaneous Coast Guard gear.
- 4. This structure as now equipped fills its purpose adequately.

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ITEMS REQUIRED BY THIS UNIT TO PERMIT FULL UTILIZATION OF AVAILABLE BERTHING AND MESSING SPACE *** NONE

All the equipment used by the wartime Coast Guard and Army complement is still on the base and could be pressed into service. Maximum berthing capacity of 26 men (enlisted) could be effected in the present barracks without the necessity of housing men in the "Old Army Observation Hut" on army cots.

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- (1) According to facts available to this station no diseases are common to this area. However, cowpox, tetnus, and typhoid inoculations are administered.
- (2) Diseases or ailments which have occurred among this unit's personnel are:

Constipation Common cold Diarrhea Boils Gastritis Trichophytoris

Burns, 1st and 2nd degree
Ingrowing nails
Foreign bodies
Sprains of muscles and joints
Wounds, incised, lacerated, contused
Abrasions

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CG Loran Transmitting Station Attu, Alaska

For Loran Transmitting Station, Theodore Point, Attu, Alaska

	Optimum Con- dition (average man-hrs/week)	Minimum Con- dition (average man-hrs/week)
1. Operational		
Watchstanding:		
*(a) Scope	. 168	168
(b) Communications	. 30	21
(c) Duty technician		0
(d) Duty mechanic		11
(e) Security	. 6	0
O Wadankawanaa and Dawaitha		
2. Maintenance and Repair:		
(excess work load over such work performed by watch-		
standers, item 1, above).		
(a) Day work (policing reservation)	. 56	10
No estimate noted for emergency repair wor		
storm damage.	the done to buriarie	, arvor warm
3. Station services:		
(a) Mess; operation of	. 56	40
(b) Stores; procurement/handling of	. 340 man/hrs in receipt of supp	3 days upon yearly
(c) Correspondence/records;		
preparation/handling of	. 34	12
(d) Training and drills		0
(e) Medical	. 1	0
(f) No boat work is done at this unit except i	in emergencies	
4. Ineffective time:		
(a) Sick (including travel time)	. 0	
(b) Absent, temp. duty (incl. travel time) . (c) No leave granted except in emergency (d) No liberty granted	. 0	
(e) Vacancy (detachment prior arrival of relies had one vacancy for three months.	ef: 0 Station	complement has
5. Total man-hrs/week:	. 347	262

^{*} Two men stand scope watches together, but only one is actually on the scope at one time. The other keeps the man on the scope awake, runs errands, and makes security rounds

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6.	Recommended rating structu	ır	e:						,						Optimum Condition	Minimum Condition
	Ratin	ng													Number	Number
	ET														3	1
	EN														2	1
	RM														1	1
	CS														1	1
	HM														1	1
	SN								•						6	4
7.	Total enlisted	1	pe	rs	oni	ne:	1 :	rec	co	mm	end	de	d		14	9