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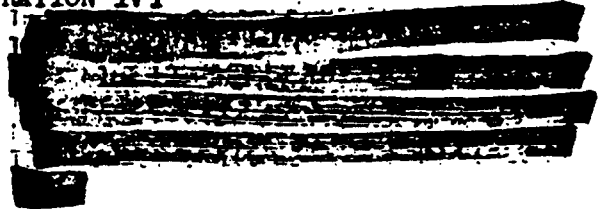
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SUBJECT: TASK FORCE ORGANIZATION AFTER OPERATION IVY

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Reference is made to the draft of "Report by the Commander, JTF 132, to the Joint Chiefs of Staff on Armed Forces Participation in the 1953 Experimental Nuclear and Thermonuclear Tests at Eniwetok/Bikini." In this paper the Commander proposes that relationships and responsibilities during Operation Castle, with respect to existing agencies, commands, and JTF 132 should remain substantially as established for Ivy; that the Ivy and Castle operations be designated as a single, overall effort to be known as Operation Ivy/Castle; and that the present JTF Deputy Commander for Scientific Matters (Dr. Graves) and the present Commander, Scientific Task Group (Mr. Burriss), be retained for Castle. We concur with the latter recommendation as explained below, but do not concur with the first two proposals.

Further reference is made to the organization charts shown as Enclosures "G" and "I" of the paper. There is enclosed an organization chart which we consider to exemplify to a much greater degree the actual relationships and responsibilities which exist during an operation. On this chart we propose that Dr. Graves would be designated by AEC to occupy the position of Deputy Commander for AEC, rather than for Scientific Matters alone. Task Group 132.1 (Scientific) would be commanded by Mr. Stanley Burriss, and a new Task Group 132.5 (Base Facilities) would be added, to be commanded by Mr. Paul Spain, concomitant with his responsibilities as Field Manager for the Proving Grounds. This organizational set-up has been discussed with Dr. Graves and Lt. Col. Potter Campbell and has been approved by Dr. Graves and interested SFOO people. If you concur, it is requested that you present the chart to the Commander, JTF 132, as an AEC requirement.

We propose further that the above organizational concept will hold true only during the actual operational period at the Proving Grounds. During the interim period between Ivy and Castle we consider that Department of Defense and Atomic Energy Commission test

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organizations should be separate insofar as actual official activation of the AEC groups in the line of command is concerned. Certainly each needs the other for operational planning and to execute approved requirements generated by the other, but there is no apparent need for administrative and planning control of LASL and SFO groups by the Task Force during this period. Coordination of planning and logistic requirements is a necessity, but we think this can be easily accomplished with designated liaison channels between J-Division-SFOO and the Task Force. In addition, it will tend to mitigate the perhaps unintended encroachment of the Task Force into fields which are strictly AEC responsibilities and its consequences of irritation and tension between parties.

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Enclosure:
 Organization chart (in trip.)

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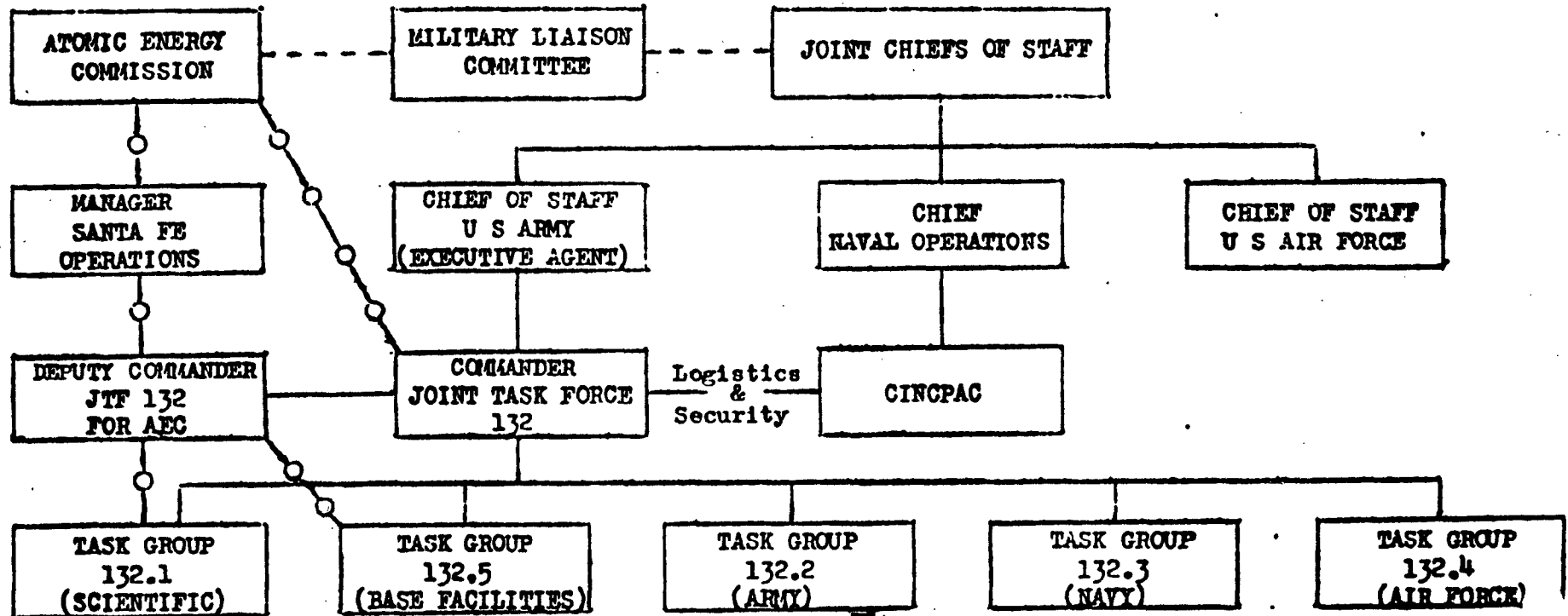
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