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Staff Radiological Medical Officer

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FROM J-3

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COMMENT NO. 1

Via: ACofS, J-1 for comment

1. In the past, it has been the policy to provide on the Task Force Staff, a medical officer specifically trained in the radiology field and, if possible, with field experience on nuclear tests. This policy has been a profitable one in that it provided a qualified medical authority on the spot during the tests to help short-stop adverse radiation incidents before they reached absurd proportions or involved undue ricocheting through major commands outside the Task Force.

2. It is recommended that this policy be continued for CASTLE with the following limitations:

a. Officer selected should be assigned this duty on a TDY basis since his presence on the staff is required only during the actual shot period. Such interim planning services as become necessary could be handled on a correspondence or staff visit basis.

b. Officer selected could be assigned the additional duty of Task Force Staff Surgeon. Sufficient medical advice is available during the planning stage of the operation to obviate the actual presence of either a Staff Radiologist or a Staff Surgeon and since neither duty is considered a full time job, a TDY additional duty solution seems appropriate. Recent discussions with responsible medical personnel indicate no real objection to this additional duty proposal.

c. Officer selected should be field grade in order that an effective contribution is assured.

3. Attached herewith is a list indicating some of the known possible choices for this assignment. It is contemplated that, if approved, the final selection will be coordinated with the Task Force Scientific Deputy. It is proposed that, if approved, ACofS, J-1 secure nominations for this assignment.

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Brief of Possible Candidates for Task Force Staff Radiological Medical Officer

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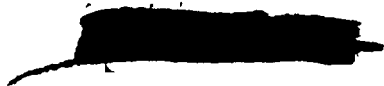
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Brief of Possible Candidates for Task Force Staff Radiological Medical Officer

ARMY

✓ LtCol James T. Brennan,
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Served with Radsafe Unit, Operations Section on GREENHOUSE and Buster/Jangle, 4 years at LASL in H (Health) Division, conducted Radio-biological projects on Tumbler/Snapper and Upshot/Knothole. Presently assigned AMSGS as head of Radiobiology Division. Considered highly qualified, has no real personal objection to CASTLE assignment, may be difficult to pry loose from present job.

① Col Clinton S. Maupin,
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Served with Radsafe Unit, Operations Section on GREENHOUSE, currently Staff Radiological Medical Officer at Upshot/Knothole. PCS assignment with HqAFSWP Field Command, Sandia Base. Officer considered highly qualified, has personal desire for CASTLE assignment, and currently estimates he can be made available.

Major Samuel M. Rothornel,

Assigned LASL H(Health) Division under AFSW sponsorship, no field test experience except project participation at Upshot/Knothole. Division Chief has offered services of this Officer, no apparent objection by AFSWP except inexperience. May be possible to carry him out as one of the radiation monitors in TU 7, TG 7.1 for experience and for later use on CASTLE in the event an officer cannot be obtained for the entire operation

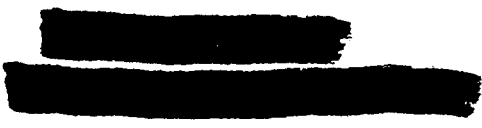
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NAVY

(Note: On a strictly rotational basis, it is the Navy's turn to fill the job for CASTLE. Also, since CASTLE will be a heavily Navy-dependent operation, a selection from this service might be the most appropriate solution. Capt V. C. Tipton, BuMed, has indicated verbally that BuMed would welcome a request for the services of a Naval Radiological Medical Officer.)

Capt Harry H. Haight,

Served on most of the ZI and PPG tests in the past, however, officer has no personal desire for the assignment. Currently assigned to DMA.



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Cdr Harry S. Etter,

Served on GREENHOUSE and two of the Nevada Operations. Currently assigned to BuMed.

Cdr Eugene P. Cronkite,

Currently assigned National Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda.

AIR FORCE

(Note: The Air Force, having furnished a medical officer for IVY should not be approached. Further, Maj Lifton, USAF Surgeon General's Office, indicates the Air Force currently is hard pressed for medical personnel and would object to filling the bill.)

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