

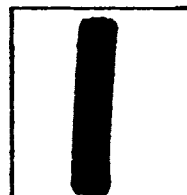
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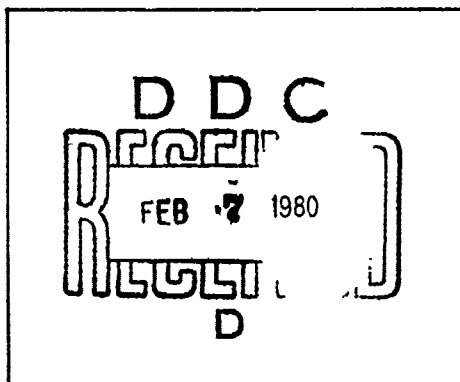
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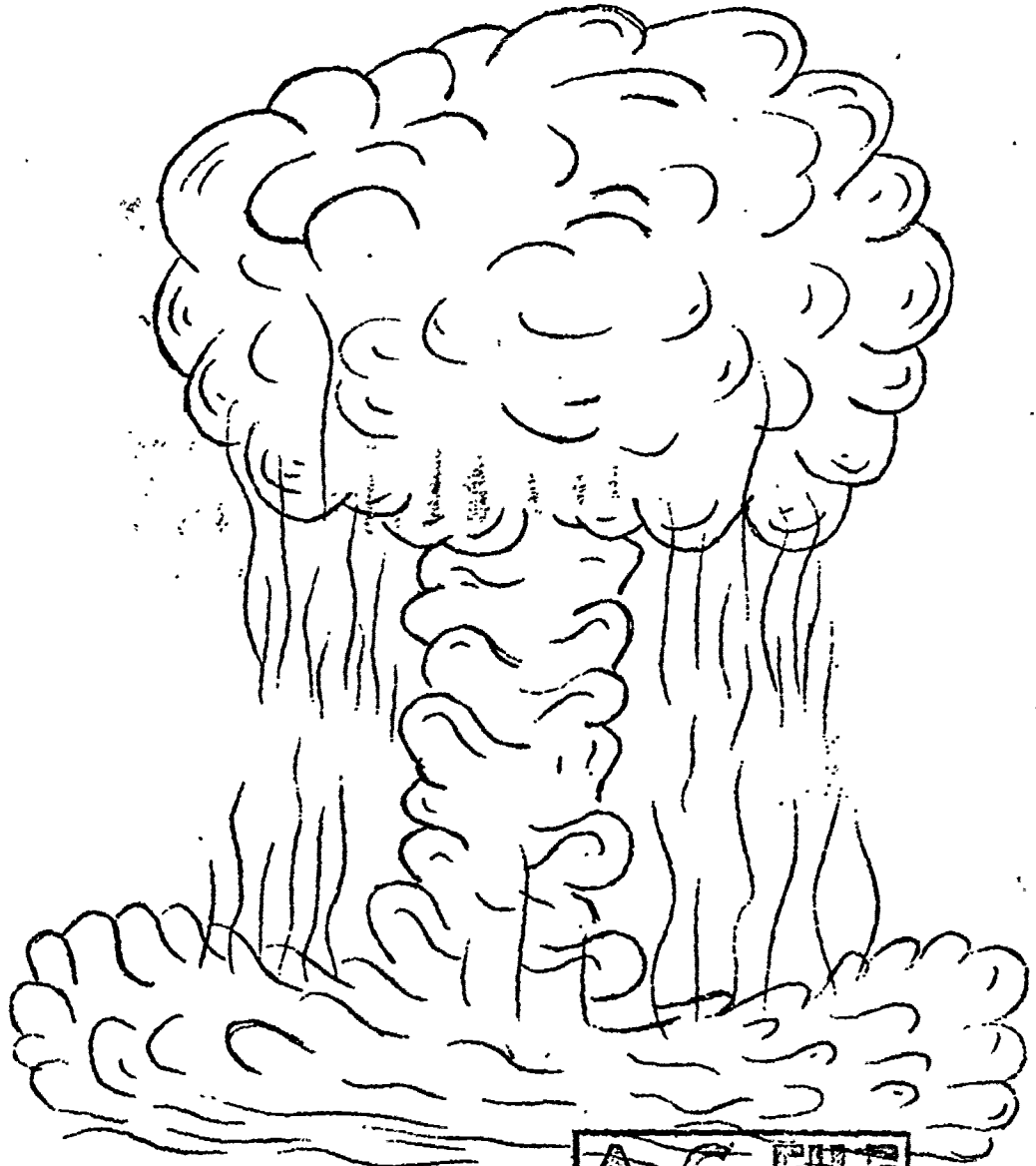
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Map: NEVADA, 1:50,000, TIPPIPAH SPRING, CAMEL SPRINGS, SPECTOR RANGE, PAPOOSE LAKE, FRENCHMAN LAKE, and MERCURY Sheets.

Time Zone: Pacific Daylight Time

Task Organization: Annex A, Task Organization

1. SITUATION.--The Atomic Energy Commission detonates an atomic device (PASCAL-A) at H-hour on D-day. After the shot Ordnance and Signal field tests will be performed.

2. MISSION.--Hq, Exercise Desert Rock VII and VIII, supervises and coordinates Desert Rock Army participation in shot PASCAL-A in area U-3d in the NEVADA TEST SITE commencing at H-hour on D-day to:

a. Locate atomic burst horizontally, determine height of burst and yield, predict and monitor radioactive fallout pattern (Project 50.8).

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation.--Personnel from Project 50.8 will participate in shot PASCAL-A. Project 50.8 will operate radar, sound and IR detector equipment from approved sites.

b. 50th Chemical Plat.--Provide rad-safety support as required.

c. Co B, 84th Engr Bn (Reinf).--Provide Engineer support as required.

d. Unit, 8th Field Hosp.--Provide medical support as required from present location in CAMP DESERT ROCK.

e. 293d MP Co (-).--Provide traffic control as required.

f. 526th Ord Co (HAM) (-).--Provide Ordnance support as required.

g. 232d Signal Co.--Provide Signal support as required. Annex C, Signal.

h. 26th TC Bn.--Provide transportation support as required.

i. Project 50.8.--Operate sound, radar and IR detector equipment as per paragraph 2a above from approved sites in the vicinity of coordinates 768944 and 860915. Only equipment approved during power dry run will be operated. All other equipment will be completely secured.

j. Desert Rock Aviation Section.--Provide one L-20 aircraft on ground alert at the Desert Rock air strip for air evacuation of casualties to the Nellis Air Force Base Hospital

k. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Unit commanders will insure that all Desert Rock personnel have film badges. See Memo Nr 8, this headquarters.

(2) All personnel will be familiar with provisions of the Rad-Safe Program. See Memo Nr 10, this headquarters.

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(3) All personnel will be instructed to pick up ground zero area. Although innocent in appearance these items are radioactive. *See O. 354-15. S-3*

(4) Radio silence will be maintained and all gasoline engines turned off from shot time minus 15 minutes until shot time plus 5 minutes.

(5) Evacuation in case of emergency will be made direct to CAMP DESERT ROCK. Annex D, Emergency Evacuation Plan.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Administration.--Current administrative instructions apply.

b. Logistics.

(1) Medical.--Dispensary at CAMP DESERT ROCK will provide medical support in place.

(2) Chemical.--Decontamination station will be established at coordinates 848888. See Memo Nr 9, this headquarters.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Annex C, Signal.

b. CP, Exercise Desert Rock VII and VIII, will remain at CAMP DESERT ROCK.

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Annexes: A--Task Organization
B--Operation Overlay
C--Signal

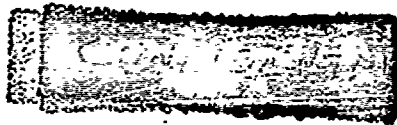
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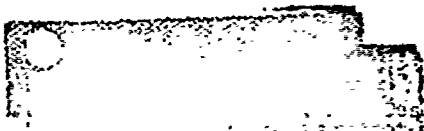
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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 10

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Executive Officer - - - - - Col C. H. Dunning
Control Group Commander - - - - - Maj D. I. Saunders
US Army Garrison, CAMP DESERT ROCK (6019-03)

SUPPORT TROOPS

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Co B, 84th Engr Bn (Reinf)
Unit, 8th Field Hosp
293d MP Co (-)
526th Ord Co (HAM) (-1 Plat)
656th QM Petrol Supply Co (-)
Det, 53d QM Subsistence Supply Co
Det, 163d QM Laundry Co
232d Signal Co
Signal Supply Team (KA)
Signal Maintenance Teams (G and RD)
Signal Pictorial Teams (AB, FC, FH, and FF)
Signal Photo Desimetry Team
26th TC Bn
Hq & Hq Co
2d TC Truck Co (Pet)
38th TC Co (Hv)
351st TC Co (Med)
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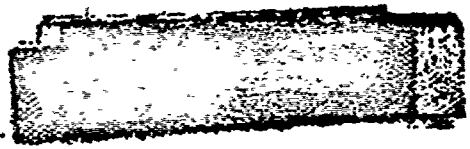
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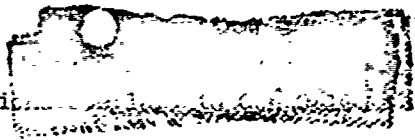
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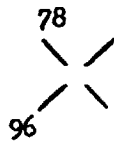


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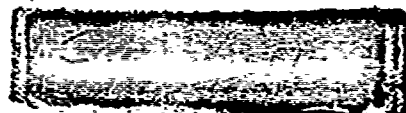
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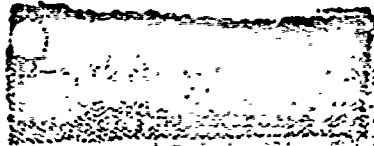
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Annex C (Signal) to Operation Order 10

Map: NEVADA, 1:50,000, TIPPIPAH SPRING, CANE SPRING, SPECTER RANGE, PAPOOSE LAKE, FRENCHMAN LAKE, and MERCURY Sheets

1. PURPOSE.--To provide continuous communications before, during, and after the proposed detonation of shot PASCAL-A on D-day at H hour.

2. MISSION.--The 232d Signal Company and attached Signal teams will provide all Desert Rock communications services in coordination with DOD Signal personnel, CAMP MERCURY, NEVADA. Photo dosimetry services if needed, will be provided by the Photo Dosimetry Team from Lexington Signal Depot, LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Radio communications. Appendix 2, Motorola-Type Net

(1) Radio silence from H-15 minutes to H+5 minutes.

(2) Radio call signs and frequencies: DOD net one Motorola-type handy talkies to be furnished by DOD will provide communications between CPl and Project 50.8 locations. Call sign Hilltop 61 and Hilltop 85, respectively. Purpose of this set is to monitor announcements. Net control station Hilltop. Appendix 2, Hilltop Net.

b. Wire Communications.

(1) One wire circuit from terminals at NEWS NOB to Project 50.8 locations (coordinates 768944 and 860915) to be terminated on field telephone (TA43). This line is to be used to inform the field commander that all personnel are "IN PLACE" prior to "COUNT DOWN" time. Appendix 1, Wire Count Down.

(2) Out wire circuit from CPl MERCURY (8471 or 8472) to Project 50.8 CP (Mercury 8374) Appendix 3, MERCURY Circuit.

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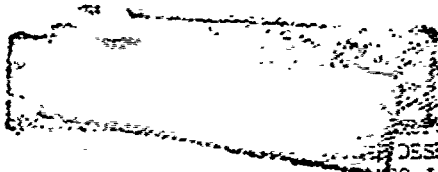
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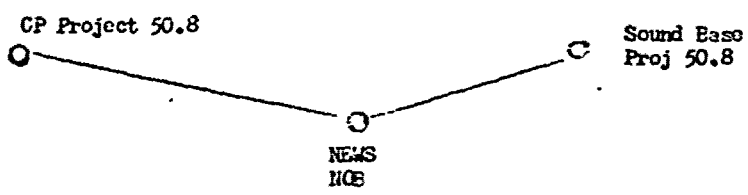


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Appendix 1 (Wire Count Down) to Annex C (Signal) to Operations Order 10

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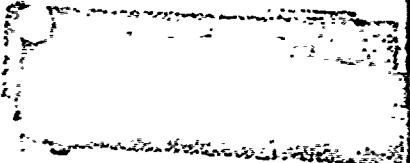
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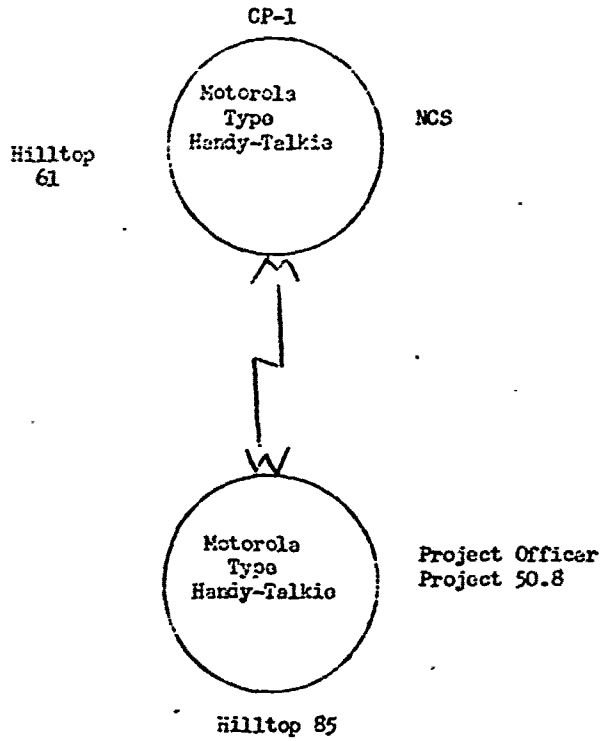
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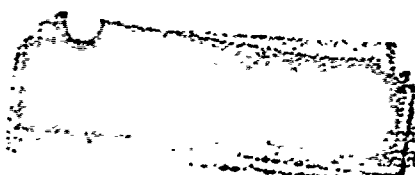
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Appendix 3 (Mercury Circuit) to Annex C (Signal) to Opn O 10

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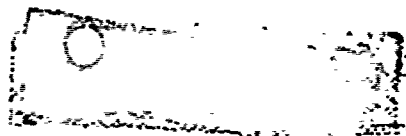
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Annex D (Emergency Evacuation Plan) to Operation Order 10

Map: NEVADA, 1:50,000, TIPPLAR SPRING, CAME SPRINGS, SPECTOR RANGE, PAPOOSE LAKE, FRENCHMAN LEAK, and MERCURY Sheets.

1. PURPOSE.—To outline the procedure to be followed to accomplish the total evacuation of the NEVADA TEST SITE in case of emergency.

2. EXECUTION.—Personnel will be prepared to execute a total evacuation of the forward area at any time on D-day.

a. Evacuation will be to the south in the following order:

- (1) Decontamination Station (coordinates 343333).
- (2) Check Gate Nr 2, Camp Mercury (coordinates 914605).
- (3) Camp Desert Rock motor pool (coordinates 372537).

b. Project Officers will be responsible for the orderly loading and movement of their vehicles during the evacuation and for maintaining the proper march discipline.

c. Vehicle commanders will be responsible for the orderly loading and movement of their groups on order of the project officer.

d. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Maximum vehicle speed will be 55 MPH.
- (2) March units will remain intact during all movements.
- (3) MP vehicles and ambulances will have road priority during evacuation.
- (4) Necessary decontamination will be effected as soon as possible upon reaching the designated place of safety.
- (5) Code designation to implement this plan is CONDITION THUNDER.
- (6) CONDITION THUNDER will be transmitted by the most readily available means and will be authenticated by the Post Red-Safe Officer.
- (7) Windows in vehicles will be closed when practical.
- (8) Individuals will refrain from eating or smoking during the evacuation.

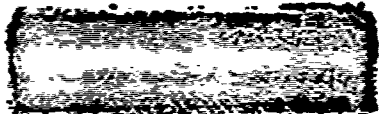
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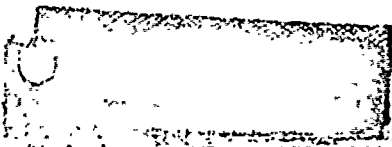
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