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 LORTAD MANILA

A. MY LTR 5713/3262 OF 28 JUN 74 SEP 5 18
 B. YOUR 261415Z NOV 74

1. IF PHILIPPINE COAST GUARD (PCG) IS TO EVENTUALLY OPERATE LORAN A STATIONS WITHOUT USCG IN-COUNTRY SUPPORT, ADDITIONAL PCG PERSONNEL MUST BE TRAINED BOTH AS INSTRUCTORS AND TECHNICIANS. PRESENTLY PCG HAS NO QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS. REQUESTS FOR TRAINING ANTICIPATED. LORAN A SCHOOL AT SANGLEY POINT EQUIPPED BUT NEVER OPERATED. ANTICIPATE REQUIREMENT, IF SANGLEY LORAN A SCHOOL IS OPERATED, FOR TWO USCG ETC BILLETS IN ADDITION TO THOSE BILLETS PARA 3 REF A. ONLY ONE BILLET NEED BE FILLED WITH E-7 WITH INSTRUCTOR TRAINING UNTIL LEVEL OF PCG TRAINING IS FIRM.
2. REF B DIRECTED DISCONTINUE ALL LLLORTAD FUNCTIONS NOT PART OF STATED MISSION AS PER PARA 5 REF A. HOWEVER THIS DIRECTION MADE IN ANTICIPATION THAT LORTAD WOULD BE DISCONTINUED 31 DEC 74. NOW THAT LORTAD IS TO CONTINUE THERE IS A CONTINUING NEED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICES TO NON LORTAD USCG PERSONNEL, RETIREES, AND DEPENDENTS. UNODIR I INTEND TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES ON A NOT-TO-INTERFERE WITH PRIMARY MISSION BASIS. I WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS LATER TO DELETE SOME OF THESE FUNCTIONS IF IT BECOMES APPARENT THAT SERVICES DEMANDED CANNOT BE ADEQUATELY PROVIDED.
3. REQUEST REINSTATE OR CONTINUE OPFAC NUMBER MAILING ADDRESS AND DISTRIBUTION SYMBOL OF LORTAD.
4. FOLLOWING COMMENTS APPLY SPECIFICALLY TO THAT PORTION OF EACH STATION REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN THE SIGNAL IN THE AIR. HABITABILITY IS NOT REPEAT NOT ADDRESSED. THE MINIMUM ALLOWANCE PARA 3A REF A DOES NOT PROVIDE CAPABILITY TO MONITOR CONDITION OF PHYSICAL PLANT AT PHIL LORSTAS, NOR DOES OE ESTIMATE PROVIDE FOR ANY MAJOR PLANT REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STATIONS WELL BELOW CG STANDARDS WITH ACCELERATED DETERIORATION EXPECTED AS PROPER MAINTENANCE CONTINUES TO BE NEGLECTED. SIGNAL POWER BUILDING, FUEL STORAGE AND TRANSFER SYSTEMS, TOWEPS AND POWER GENERATING EQUIPMENT MAY REQUIRE REHAB IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN SIGNAL UNTIL 31 DEC 77 AND MOST CERTAINLY CAPITAL INVESTMENT WILL BE REQUIRED IF SIGNAL IS TO BE MAINTAINED PAST THAT DATE.
5. CONSIDER THAT THIS MAY BE ISSUE IN ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS WITH DOD, DOS AND GOP.

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