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18 APR 1966

From: Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks  
To: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: Proposed FY 1968 MCON Project, Fleet Support Activity, Diego Garcia (S); status of

Ref: (a) CNO ltr OP-441E/crs Ser 0040P44 of 8 Mar 1966

1. Reference (a) authorized the Bureau of Yards and Docks to initiate, on a NOFORN SENSITIVE basis, necessary A&E studies for subject facility.

2. The NOFORN SENSITIVE restriction prevents on-site investigations required for preparation of detailed plans and specifications. Pending access to the site, the Bureau will proceed as follows:

a. Contractor with design and construction capability will be selected during May 1966.

b. Proceed with plans and specifications to the extent possible, prior to on-site surveys and investigations.

c. On-site surveys must be started by 1 September 1966 to maintain schedule.

d. Hydrographic survey by British is satisfactory if results are available by 1 June 1967.

e. Start construction December 1967, provided FY 1968 MCON funds available.

f. Construction completion date is December 1971.

3. Actions indicated paragraph 2. are based on scope defined in reference (a), and are subject to revision if major requirements such as SPASUR or expanded communication facilities are programed.

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8 MAR 1966

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From: Chief of Naval Operations  
To: Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks  
Subj: Fleet Support Activity at Diego Garcia (U)

Encl: (1) SECNAV Memorandum of 4 Feb 1966  
(2) OP-61F3 Memorandum ser 001534P61 of 14 Feb 1966  
(3) Assistant SECRET (ISA) Memorandum ser I-20343/66 of 19 Feb 1966

1. Enclosure (1) is the Navy's preliminary outline for a proposed Fleet Support Activity at Diego Garcia.

2. Enclosure (2) reports a conversation between the Assistant Secretary of Defense (ISA) and the Secretary of the Navy at a meeting on 11 February 1966. At this time it was agreed that the engineering studies for subject activity, at a cost of about \$500,000, should go forward this year. By enclosure (3) the Assistant Secretary of Defense (ISA) confirmed his assent.

3. On the basis of enclosures (1), (2) and (3) the Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks is authorized to initiate, on a NOFORN SENSITIVE basis, the necessary A&E studies for the proposed facility.

HARRY HULL  
By direction

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1. Reference (a) reported on the 11 February conversation between Secretary Nitze and Assistant Secretary of Defense McNaughton and stated that the engineering studies agreed at that meeting would be initiated.
2. Reference (b) confirmed Assistant Secretary of Defense McNaughton's assent to the conduct of the necessary "in-house studies toward development of engineering plans for construction of logistic support facilities to serve U. S. interests in the Indian Ocean area."
3. On the basis of these references it is requested that authorization be granted the Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks to initiate the necessary A and B studies on the proposed facility. In this connection it is noted that Mr. McNaughton in reference (b) directed that the studies should be carried out on a NOFORN-SENSITIVE basis.

(a) Op-61 Memorandum to CNO Ser 001554P61  
dtd 14 February 1966  
(b) ASSISTSECDEF Memorandum to SECNAV Ser I-20843/66  
dtd 19 February 1966

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Ref: (a) Op-61 Memorandum to CNO Ser 001554P61  
dtd 14 February 1966  
(b) ASSISTSECDEF Memorandum to SECNAV Ser I-20843/66  
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