

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1976

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AIR PASSENGER TRAFFIC DATA
NAVAL STATION ROTA, SPAIN
(Mr. Murphy)
TOTAL PASSENGERS PER MO. - ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

MONTH	MAC CONUS to ROTA	MAC ROTA to CONUS	MAC INTRA- THEATRE to ROTA	MAC INTRA- THEATRE to ROTA	NON-MAC INTRA-THEATRE DEPART & TERMINATE	TOTAL PASSENGERS
Jan 1973	1749	1147	140	322	1857	5215
Feb 1973	864	590	20	229	1962	3665
Mar 1973	1551	1448	271	360	1918	5548
Apr 1973	925	1009	53	466	1923	4376
May 1973	1039	1762	604	438	2072	5915
Jun 1973	760	1719	32	474	2558	5543
Jul 1973	2021	2128	349	398	2577	7473
Aug 1973	1411	1632	324	449	2504	6340
Sep 1973	1856	1344	398	397	2582	6577
Oct 1973	1318	1616	309	274	2939	6456
Nov 1973	1247	1953	208	25	3404	6837
Dec 1973	1126	1456	213	219	1478	4492
Jan 1974	1393	1476	222	155	2006	5252
Feb 1974	1210	1196	158	140	1663	4367
Mar 1974	1646	1811	191	99	1823	5570
Apr 1974	1357	1265	235	202	2531	5590
May 1974	1502	1463	441	369	2780	6555
Jun 1974	1765	1923	206	316	2633	6823
TOTAL (18 Mos)	24,720	26,958	4,374	5,332	41,210	102,594
AVG PER MO	1,374	1,498	243	296	2,289	5,700

ABBREVIATIONS:

MAC: Military Airlift Command Flights
CONUS: Continental United States
INTRA-THEATRE: Rota to elsewhere in Spain, to Italy, Greece, other Mediterranean countries, and to Sixth Fleet ships.

Mr. STEED. What would happen if the air terminal building project were deferred?

Admiral MARSHALL. We would continue operating as we are now, under very unsatisfactory conditions. The terminal has become a most important one to our operations in the Mediterranean as well as for the support of the activities at Rota.

You know you can always defer things, but I think this is a project whose time has come, and with the great increase in traffic there at Rota, it has really become a necessity.

Mr. STEED. Would this base be affected by current base rights negotiations?

Admiral MARSHALL. Mr. Chairman, I will have to speculate on that. I think not. I don't think that the subject of the retention of the base at Rota itself has been in serious question in the deliberations which are ongoing.

NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, DIEGO GARCIA, CHAGOS ARCHIPELAGO

Mr. STEED. Insert page II-105 in the record.

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1. DATE 7 FEB 1975		2. DEPARTMENT NAVY		3. INSTALLATION FY 1976 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM		4. INSTALLATION NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY						
4. COMMAND NAVAL TELECOMMUNICATION COMMAND		5. INSTALLATION CONTROL NUMBER 2476-076		6. STATE/COUNTRY DIEGO GARCIA, CHAGOS ARCHIPELAGO		7. COUNTY (U.S.)						
7. STATUS ACTIVE		8. YEAR OF INITIAL OCCUPANCY 1973		9. NEAREST CITY 950 MILES NORTHEAST TO COLOBO, CEYLON								
11. MISSION OR MAJOR FUNCTIONS This station provides communications for ships in the Indian Ocean area. Additional new function is emergency, or periodic, port service for ships or aircraft of a Naval Task Group in the Indian Ocean.				12. PERSONNEL STRENGTH								
				PERMANENT		STUDENTS		SUPPORTED				
				OFFICER (1)	ENLISTED (2)	CIVILIAN (3)	OFFICER (4)	ENLISTED (5)	OFFICER (6)	ENLISTED (7)	CIVILIAN (8)	TOTAL (9)
				A. AS OF 30 JUN 1974 B. PLANNED (END FY 1980)								
				INVENTORY								
LAND		ACRES (1)		LAND COST (\$000) (2)		IMPROVEMENT (\$000) (3)		TOTAL (\$000) (4)				
A. OWNED		FOREIGN MILITARY		RIGHTS AGREEMENT								
B. LEASED AND EASEMENTS		0		0		0		0				
C. INVENTORY TOTAL (EXCEPT IMPROV) AS OF 30 JUNE 1974				74				35,252				
D. AUTHORIZATION NOT YET IN INVENTORY								13,800				
E. AUTHORIZATION REQUESTED IN THIS PROGRAM								6,900				
F. ESTIMATED AUTHORIZATION - NEXT 4 YEARS								55,952				
G. GRAND TOTAL (C + D + E + F)												
SUMMARY OF INSTALLATION PROJECTS												
14. PROJECT DESIGNATION		TENANT COMMAND		UNIT OF MEASURE		AUTHORIZATION PROGRAM		FUNDING PROGRAM				
CATEGORY CODE NO.	PROJECT TITLE					SCOPE	ESTIMATED COST (\$000)	SCOPE	ESTIMATED COST (\$000)			
740.17	EXPANSION OF FACILITIES		LS				13,800		13,800			

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NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, DIEGO GARCIA, \$13,800,000

The Naval Communication Station, provides fleet broadcasts, tactical ship to shore and point to point communications, and is a critical link in the Defense Communications System. A new mission has been assigned this activity to support the periodic presence of an Indian Ocean task group.

The expansion of facilities project seeks authority for facilities to logistically support a task group operating in the Indian Ocean.

Status of funds

Cumulative appropriations through fiscal year 1975	\$23,820,000
Cumulative obligations, Dec 31, 1974 (actual)	17,948,320
Cumulative obligations, June 30, 1975 (estimated)	21,120,000

Design information

Project—Expansion of facilities:

Design cost	\$ N/A
Percent complete, Mar 1, 1975	

Current bachelor enlisted status at Naval Communications Station, Diego Garcia.

Effective BEQ requirement

Adequate assets

Installation

Community

Deficit

Fiscal year 1976 project

Remaining deficit after fiscal year 1976

Total substandard spaces

Spaces that can be modernized

Spaces that cannot be modernized

Mr. STEED. Is this the second increment of facilities for expansion from a communications station to a naval support activity?

Admiral MARSHALL. Yes, sir, it is.

Mr. STEED. Is this request based on the assumption that last year's request will go forward?

Admiral MARSHALL. Yes, sir, it is.

Mr. STEED. Is the total scope of the facilities in both increments the same as we discussed last year?

Admiral MARSHALL. Slightly reduced, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. STEED. What evidence is there of increasing Russian military presence in the Indian Ocean area?

Admiral MARSHALL. There has been a great deal in the newspapers recently based on the testimony of the Secretary of Defense before the Senate Armed Services Committee indicating that there is a much greater presence of the Russian fleet in the Indian Ocean.

Furthermore, with the opening of the Suez Canal, the Indian Ocean becomes much more accessible to the Russian fleet than it has been in the past. Again I am speculating, but I can't conceive of them not taking advantage of this particular opportunity.

Mr. STEED. Thinking in terms of the vessels that might reasonably be expected to become involved in case of an emergency, does the Suez Canal offer passage to all the craft of the United States?

Admiral MARSHALL. Our aircraft carriers are not able to transit the Suez Canal at its present depth and they would of necessity have to go either from the Pacific Fleet or the Atlantic Fleet around the horn.

Mr. STEED. Then getting supplies to ships operating in the Diego Garcia area would be even more difficult if you had no local capability?

Admiral MARSCHALL. Yes, sir, that is exactly what we are basing our whole request on. What we want to do is to provide—I think Admiral Grojean last year best described it—a super filling station in the middle of the Indian Ocean for our fleet, so when the fleet ventures into the Indian Ocean, it doesn't have to carry a long train behind it.

Mr. STEED. In connection with all these activities we hear that the Russians are conducting in that part of the world, do they have any facilities there that we know about that are useful only in wartime?

Admiral MARSCHALL. I think the facilities about which we know are useful both in war and peace. In Dr. Schlesinger's testimony, he indicated the rather rapid buildup in Berbera in Somalia but along the lateral of the Indian Ocean, the Russians, I would judge, have many, many more opportunities than do we.

NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS STATION, FINIGAYAN, GUAM

Mr. STEED. Insert page II-108 in the record.
[Page II-108 follows:]

1. DATE 7 FEB 1975		2. DEPARTMENT NAVY		3. PROJECT TITLE FY 1976 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM		4. INSTALLATION NAVAL COMMUNICATION STATION GUAM	
5. CDD AND		6. INSTALLATION CONTROL NUMBER 2476 - 300		7. YEAR OF INITIAL OCCUPANCY 1945		8. STATE COUNTRY FINIGAYAN, GUAM	
9. STATUS ACTIVE		10. NAVAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMAND		11. COUNTY (U.S.)		12. NEAREST CITY 6 MILES SOUTH TO AGANA	
13. MAJOR FUNCTIONS This Station provides fleet broadcasts to ships and fleet units in the Pacific Ocean, and point-to-point communications for the Navy and Defense Communications System, using high frequency radio and satellite systems. It is a part of a world wide network of defense communications. Support is provided for Naval Security Group Activity.				14. PERSONNEL STRENGTH a. AS OF 30 JUN 1974 b. PLANNED FINE FY 1980			
OFFICER		ENLISTED		CIVILIAN		TOTAL	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
68	1,403	136	0	0	1	3	0
75	1,668	140	0	0	1	3	0
15. INVENTORY		LAND COST (\$000)		IMPROVEMENT (\$000)		TOTAL (\$000)	
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)	
4,800		362		25,459		25,821	
106# - 0#		0		613# - 0#		613	
INVENTORY TOTAL (Estimated) AS OF 30 JUNE 1974						26,434	
AUTHORIZATION NOT YET IN INVENTORY						3,597	
ESTIMATED AUTHORIZATION - NEXT 5 YEARS						1,200	
GRAND TOTAL (\$000)						31,801	
16. SUMMARY OF INSTALLATION PROJECTS							
CATEGORY CODE NO.		PROJECT TITLE		TENANT COMMAND		UNIT OF MEASURE	
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)	
131.25		SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS TERMINAL ADDITION				SF	
				SCOPE		SCOPE	
				ESTIMATED COST (\$000)		ESTIMATED COST (\$000)	
				1,200		1,200	
				5,010		5,010	
				1,200		1,200	