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From: Superintendent, Naval Observatory.  
To: Secretary of the Navy.  
Via: Chief of Bureau of Navigation.

Subject: Naval Observatory Eclipse Expedition of  
1929 to Philippine Islands.

References: (a) Bunav let. H5/L1(43)/EN23/H5(12)(105),  
21 November, 1928.  
(b) Secnav approval of same, 22 November, 1928.

1. In order to carry out the subject expedition, the following data are submitted for the information and, where necessary, the required action of the Department.

2. (a) The equipment from the Naval Observatory has already been shipped to San Francisco for further shipment to Manila, with the exception of certain items of no great weight which are under purchase and can be shipped by express or carried in the personal baggage of the party.

The Bureau of Yards and Docks is preparing at Mare Island for the photographic house, telescope tube, and other equipment to be ready for shipment aboard the CHAUMONT in San Francisco about 23 January, 1929.

The personnel of the party will consist of Commander C. H. J. Keppler, U. S. N., in charge, and Associate Astronomer Paul Sollenberger, with whom will be associated and cooperating in the eclipse expedition from Swarthmore College, Professor E. Cogshall of the University of Indiana and Mrs. Cogshall, his wife and immediate scientific assistant. Professor and Mrs. Cogshall will join the party at San Francisco and will leave it upon return to that or other United States port. Mrs. Cogshall will also defray her own expenses from Manila to Iloilo, provided no transportation by government vessel is available.

4. It is requested that orders be issued for Commander C. H. J. Keppler, U. S. N., in charge, and Associate Astronomer Paul Sollenberger to proceed in time to reach San Francisco about

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