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2 February 1989

SUBJECT: Situation Report

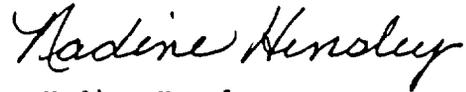
TO: DRMR-MD

1. On 4 Jan 89, two 55 gallon drums were inadvertently unearthed while an employee was relocating metal bunkbeds. This was immediately reported to me and I in turn handled the situation as if it were an actual spill by calling the Base Fire Department who in turn called the Base Spill Response Team. EPA took soil samples which had a kerosene odor. They covered the area with heavy duty plastic and cordoned off same.
2. On 9 Jan 89, five more drums were discovered while an attempt was being made to clean the area. One of the drums was marked DDT. The spill team officials decided to cease the clean up until further sampling could be done. They again covered and cordoned off the area.
3. I mentioned to Mr. Julian Wooten, Director, Natural Resources, that a retired employee, Mr. Joe Paliotti had mentioned to several employees that he knew many areas where waste was buried at Lot 203. Mr. Wooten contacted Mr. Paliotti and coordinated an onsite visit so he could show us the locations and tell us what was buried at each. The visit was on 13 Jan 89. Mr. Wooten's letter to AC/S Logistics, dated 17 Jan 89, apprised COL Dalzell of the visit and recommended that Base Safety and the Preventive Maintenance Unit be tasked with investigating Lot 203 to ensure there was no immediate threat to the employees. I then wrote letters to Base Safety and the Occupational Health Clinic requesting this action. Mr. Alexander set up a meeting on 30 Jan 89 with all officials concerned. The results of this meeting are contained in enclosure 1 to this letter.
4. Upon receipt of a copy of Mr. Julian Wooten's letter which expressed concern for the safety of Lot 203 employees, the Region Commander made the decision to close Lot 203 until testing results proved there was no danger to the employees. I notified Base Officials of this and also sent a message to the generating activities (enclosure 2).
5. On 1 Feb 89, Mr. Bob Alexander, Base Environmental Engineer and Mr. R.J. Andrews, Base Safety Officer completed testing at Lot 203. Mr. Alexander notified me of the results which were negative with the exception of one small area. This area will be either cleaned up or cordoned off today.

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6. On the morning of 2 Feb 89, authorization was given to me by COL Donaldson to reopen Lot 203 on 3 Feb 89. I in turn contacted the Host of this decision and sent a message out advising the generating activities.



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