

M.D.G. 3737/58

GRA/S.104/6/0rg

Radiological Safety Precautions at Christmas Island

Not .

With reference to the letter from Task Force Grapple Rear dated the 9th September, 1958 (Reference GRA/S.104/6/ORG.), M.D.G. has no way of determining when naval personnel are drafted to the Christmas Island area, whether or not they are to work in the "controlled area", but it is understood that, in fact, up to the present very few of them indeed have worked in the controlled area.

- 2. It would be a major undertaking to examine all naval personnel in accordance with the provisions laid down in the "Factories (Ionising Radiations) Special Regulations (Draft)", and this is clearly not required. Advice concerning the most effective way of identifying personnel who should be examined in this way is requested. It is assumed that blood examinations of all naval personnel drafted to units in the Christmas Island area are now being carried out in accordance with C.A.F.O. 81, and M.D.G. would like to be informed if any difficulties have been encountered in complying with this C.A.F.O.
- 3. Trials Planning Section referred for comment.



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