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SUBJECT: Navy Space Requirements at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland

TO: Chief of Naval Operations
The Pentagon

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1. It is planned to make available one 500-man barracks with messing facilities for the use of Navy male enlisted personnel in final operations at Fort Meade.

2. This Agency has requested the construction of one additional 250-man barracks in the National Security Agency area at Fort Meade. Approval by the Department of the Army is contingent upon presently authorized project funds being sufficient to cover this additional construction, a fact which will not be known until the cost of all other project modifications has been determined.

3. The assignment of one barracks to house enlisted women of the three Services will depend in large measure upon the total number of women to be housed and the number of barracks available at the time final operations at Fort Meade commence. Therefore, no firm commitment in the case of enlisted women can be made at this time.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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cc: AG
C/S
PERS
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M/R: 1. The CNO letter may have been prompted by rumors that all the barracks will be needed for operations after the final move to Fort Meade. I am of the firm belief that using the barracks for operating space is not a solution to our "space" problem.

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M/R: (cont'd.)

2. We should go on record with the Navy in stating that one 500-man barracks will be made available for occupancy by their enlisted men. Unfortunately, we cannot at this time make the same commitment with regard to enlisted women. If we cannot get the additional barracks, present plans contemplate assigning one 500-man barracks to each of the Army, Navy and Air Force Detachments, and the 250-man barracks to the Marine Detachment. In this case, the women would have to be housed elsewhere on the Post. If we have sufficient funds to build another 250-man barracks separate and apart from the other buildings and the number of enlisted women warrant assignment of a 250-man building to them, it can be done. If, however, we have only sufficient funds to complete another 250-man wing on the existing half barracks, the housing of enlisted women will still have to be done elsewhere on the Post.

3. PERS (CDR Cook) concurs in the letter as written.

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