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MANNING No 3 TELECOMMUNICATION UNIT



- As you are aware a number of personnel of No 3 Telecommunication Unit currently employed on National Strategic tasks are actually established for duty with and will be completed around November 1964.
- It is our intention to commence training operations in this environment as soon as practicable.
- It will be of great benefit to personnel in their Sigint role if they are familiar with tactical operations. To provide this experience it has been decided to employ exercise "Longshot" in September/October of this year. in a joint service
- This decision will not reduce No 3 Telu's strength below that provided for Strategic tasks. However, it will probably require a variation of tasking, accordingly, this information is now advised so that sufficient time will be given to enable you to plan such tasking.
- Although the personnel currently established for duty with the will return to No 3 Telecommunication Unit after the completion of the operation, it is doubtful that they will be continually available for National Strategic tasks.

(J.A. WEDDELL) Group Captain

For Chief of the Air Staff

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