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MEMORANDUM

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Subj: USNS POPE, USNS WEIGEL; Inactivation of

Enc1: (1) Proposed Manning Scale For Inactivation Period

1. A meeting discussing inactivation of subject vessels was called to order at 1305, 12 January 1970 by LT. D. L. HETHERINGTON with the following personnel present:

CAPT. VON WEIN	MR. J. MANN
CAPT. BIERLEY	MR. J. SPEER
CAPT. LANDRY (POPE)	MR. F. WILLIS
CAPT. ROGERS (MARAD)	MR. C. CAULFIELD
CDR. WELGE	MR. C. PETERSON
CDR. BILKA	MR. B. KOPP
LCDR HOBBS	MR. A. TRYNOR
MR. G. HARLAN	MR. J. GLASCO
MR. O. BANTZ (POPE)	MR. P. BARKER
MR. A. SHADDY	MR. M. COUGHLAN
MR. V. CALLAHAN	MR. A. SCURFIELD (MARAD)
MR. P. DATOLA (POPE)	MR. J. WHEDON
MR. F. FIELDS	MR. M. GARTH
MR. L. RICH	MR. J. HILLENBRAND
MR. R. KELSEY	MR. W. STUART

2. Mr. George Harlan opened the meeting with a discussion concerning acquiring and installation of DH (Dehumidifying Equipment) on both vessels. DH equipment is not in easy supply but investigation of all sources of supply is underway.

a. Engineering department plans will be based on past DH installation of USS type ships now in Suisun Bay.

b. Engineering plans are scheduled to be complete during the third week in January.

c. In the event DH equipment is not available when needed, a proposal was made to send ships to NDRF with contract installation of DH equipment later.

d. A second proposal was made to wait until DH equipment arrives for installation (contract) then using ship's crew for whatever preservation work can be done in the mean time.

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e. A decision was made to set up the following schedule:

(1) USNS WEIGEL (First For Inactivation)

(a) ~~30 Jan~~ ~~14 Feb~~ - Engineering will have inactivation specifications ready (USNS POPE will follow in approximately 30 days)
13 Feb - (b) ~~11 Feb~~ - Open bids.
18 Feb - (c) ~~12 Feb~~ - Ship will shift (Flat tow) to shipyard for topside work.
27 Mar - (d) ~~16 Mar~~ - Shift to drydock.
7 Apr - (e) ~~20 Apr~~ - Complete drydock.
8 Apr - (f) ~~23 Mar~~ - Shift Suisun Bay NDRF for lay-up and MARAD acceptance.

(2) USNS POPE

27 Feb - (a) ~~6 Mar~~ ~~14 Feb~~ - Inactivation specification will be ready by engineering.
6 Mar - (b) ~~13 Mar~~ - Open bids.
9 Mar - (c) ~~16 Mar~~ - Shift to shipyard for topside work.
6 Apr - (d) ~~13 Apr~~ - Shift to drydock.
13 Apr - (e) ~~20 Apr~~ - Complete drydock.
21 Apr - (f) ~~27 Apr~~ - Shift to Suisun Bay NDRF for lay-up and MARAD acceptance.

3. Fuel transfer was discussed between POPE and WEIGEL and decided it was not feasible. Fuel will be transferred to other MSTS vessels as the ship schedules permit. This will be arranged by operations.

4. Supply department discussed removal of excess stores, paints, greases, lifeboat equipment, etc.

a. All mattresses, covers, lifejackets, pillows, etc, will be left on bunks, singly, for better air circulation.

b. A supply letter will be distributed to all concerned listing disposition of all excess materials.

5. Six steward utilitymen will be added to USNS POPE manning scale effective 13 Jan and will be used for cleaning all rooms and compartments on POPE and WEIGEL.

6. The enclosed manning scale is to be effective 5 February for the USNS WEIGEL and 6 March for the USNS POPE.

7. With no further discussion, meeting was adjourned at 1405.


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