

BIOLOGICAL SENSOR RESEARCH TEAM

BRIEFING

12 ~~late 65~~ USDA Plan: General USDA Plan on the Superior Ambush Detecting (AD) Dog Project submitted by Ned Bayley (Ass't Dir, Animal Husbandry Division, USDA) to Dr. C. J. Carr, U.S. Research Office. (ref: USDA program file)

late 65 INITIAL STUDY: At the request of General Kuhn, LTC S. Thompson VC conducted a study on the role of the V. C. in the field of a biological system for early detection of unseen enemies. This study involved talks with:
a. Col. J. Blair (Edgewood)
b. Col. Stone, Post CO at Edgewood Arsenal (expressed interest)
c. OCRD
d. Limited Warfare Labs
e. Scout Platoons
(ref: Mem for Record 6 Jan 67)
Gen. Kuhn was aware of the interest of the USDA in a similar program (ref: Mem for Record 6 Jan 67)

12 Jan 67 PENTAGON MEETING: Called by Dr. M. E. Lasser, Chief Scientist of the Army concerning Research and Training of "Bio-Sensors" Attending the meeting were:
a. BG G. A. Kuhn VC - Ass't for Vet Services
b. BG V. Bruegge - CG USMed R&D Cmd
c. Col H. E. Sheppard - AMC acting Deputy
d. Dr. R. Siu
e. Col T. Huber (now retired; replaced by Col Homie, M.C.)
f. LTC R. Baker
(ref: Mem for Record 6 Jan 67)

8 Mar 67 PROPOSED TECHNICAL PLAN: "Dogs for Tunnel & Ambush Detection"
a. Evaluates the USDA proposal and the Veterinary Corps proposal.
b. Produces the Proposed Army Selective Dog Breeding Program which led to "A Research Plan to Produce an Improved Detector Dog" (ref: The 67 ~~XXXX~~ Rsch Plan Army Program File)

16 Mar 67 LETTER: TO: J. F. Sullivan FROM: Gen. G. A. Kuhn
Ch, Internal Def and
Development Field Off

Gen. Kuhn suggested that the Veterinary Corps handle the Army Scout Dog Program (ref: Initial Correspondence file)

ORIGINAL

18 Apr 67 LETTER: TO: Ch, R&D FROM: MG K.H. Bayer
Acting Chief of Staff, A.M.C.

MG Bayer recommends that the V.C. conduct the Rsch Program to Produce an Improved Detector Dog and the monitorship be assigned to the US Army Surgeon Gen/Veterinary Service. Also the site at Edgewood, Md. can be made available for the 5-year duration of the project. (ref: Initial Corr. File)

19 Apr 67 LETTER: TO: The Surgeon General FROM: Col. C.D. Ostrum, Jr.
Dir., Army Rsch

Asking if Surgeon General will accept research program and additional remount type program. (ref Initial Corr. File & P)

28 Apr 67 LETTER: TO: Ch, R&D FROM: LG L. Heaton, Surgeon Gen.
BG G. Kuhn, Ass't Vet. Ser.
Col J. Powell, Dep Ass't V.S.

Acceptance of monitorship of program by Surgeon General. Note made that manpower spaces were not available from resources currently authorized TSG. (ref: Initial Corr File)

24 May 67 LETTER: TO: TSG FROM: Col C. Ostrum, Jr.
Dir Army Rsch

Assigning the program to the Surgeon General.
a. Project no. designated as 3A025601A830
b. Funding program set forth FY 68-73
(1) FY 68 - \$340,000
(2) FY 69 - 360,000
(3) FY 70 - 390,000
(4) FY 71 - 390,000
(5) FY 72 - 390,000
(6) FY 73 - 390,000
c. Purposes and objectives stated
d. Request for a detail plan of program submitted to Army Rsch Authorization to negotiate host-tenant agreement (ref: Initial Corr. File)

13 Jun 67 MEMORANDUM : from LTC Baker (Life Science Div)

Concerned USAF comments that the Army program to produce an improved detector dog is in conflict with the USAF dog procurement responsibilities. The research program itself did not interfere, but the eventual operational status (i.e. delivery of dogs to FT. Benning and then to RVN) would conflict. The question to be resolved by Dr. MacArthur, Dep. Dir., Res. & Tech, DDR&E. (ref: Initial Corr. File)

- 13 Jun 67 MEM TO: Ch, Programs and Budget Div FROM: LTC A. Joy
Ch, Res Prog Office
- Request for increase allocation of funds (ref: Initial Corr F)
- 20 Jun 67 LETTER: TO: TSG FROM: L. Cohen
Dep Ch, Program & Budget Div
1. Increase allocation by \$50,000 in FY 67
2. in FY 67-68 \$200,000 allotted
(ref: Initial Corr. File)
- Jul 67 LTC Peacock reports to Edgewood
- 18 Jul 67 Col Wright begins Host-Tenant Agreement with Edgewood
Scheduled to be completed in Oct 67
- 27 Jul 67 Form 1391 forwarded by HQ Med R&D requesting concurrent
design begins before final approval (ref: Edgewood File)
- 31 Jul 67 First dogs purchased: 1 Labrador Retriever Female and 1 Male
Received 18 Aug 67 (\$400.00)
Requests for additional dogs proposed for Sep 67
(Dog Source-Finance Cards)
- 1 Aug 67 McIntire Contract approved for \$83,000 for FY 68 (P notes)
Will begin 1 Sep 67
Evaluation of 125 dogs by end of FY (Training-McIntire Folder)
- 14 Aug 67 Proposed QMDO received from Infantry Agency on detector dogs
(ref: QMDO File)
- 11 Aug 67 LETTER: TO: CG USA Med R&D Cmd FROM: LTC Klitch XO WRAIR
- Ask for increase in personnel authorization to 30 (ref: In. Cor. File)
- 18 Aug 67 Request for 30 spaces sent to SGO to be forwarded to OCRD (P notes)
- 25 Aug 67 Note from McBride 'could score up civilian spaces out of
present authorization of Med R&D (P notes)
- 30 Aug 67 LETTER: TO: Ch, R&D FROM: MG J. Blumberg
CG, USAMR&D Cmd
- Approval of increase in personnel authorization (ref; Initial C. F.)
- 1 Sep 67 Seven Labrador Retrievers rec'd (3 were returned due to
hip dysplasia and three replacements were requested.
- 7 Sep 67 Revised 1391 forwarded to HQ AMC (notes)

12 Sep 67 LETTER: TO: US Army Munitions FROM: C.I. Helmor
Civilian Exec Ass't
Edgewood

Request authority to station Bio-Sensor Rsch Team at
Edgewood (Edgew'd File)

14 Sep 67 DOGS: Two Labrador Retrievers rec'd (\$850.00)

15 Sep 67 DOGS: Three Labradors rec'd (\$630.00)

17 Nov 67 1LT Dearing arrives WRAIR MSC

29 Nov 67 LETTER: TO: Dir WRAIR FROM: Comptroller,
Edgewood

Support costs for WRAIR team at Edgewood \$71,000.
(ref: Edgew'd File)

11 Dec 67 CPT Linn arrives VC WRAIR

16 Dec 67 DOGS: Three replacements rec'd for rejectees of 1 Sep 67

5 Jan 68 LITERATURE SEARCH BEGINS (Visit Ft. Benning last of Jan 10 days)

19 Feb 68 DOG HOUSES: Bids opened; board is currently reviewing bids
Expect 1st delivery latter part of May 68 (\$23,750.00 G'vt est)

8 Mar 68 DOG KENNELS: Requested additional funds for Kennels
Expect approval of request before end of Mar 68
Kennels to be delivered before first week in May to FT. Meade
Bid will be given to BROWN FENCE CO. BEDFORD N .J. (\$14,840.00)

21 Mar 68 MOBILE ANIMAL LABORATORY (3) Tentatively set for PORTABUILD INC
of Washington, Ga//will send inspection officer to Ga. in April
(\$5,946.00) * 3 =

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