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 SUBJECT: Overexposures to Ionizing Radiation

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TO: The Surgeon General, ATTN: MEDPS-PO, Department of the Army,
 Washington, D. C. 20315

1. The individuals named on the referenced TWX are civilian trainees who were exposed for approximately 30 minutes to a 5 millicurie source while taking a one-day course given for OCD by Radiological Monitor Training Teams from Fort Chaffee. It is the opinion of the officer in charge of these teams that the film badges issued to the trainees were stored near the source container during the 10-day period that the team involved was on the road. The personnel involved are "uncertain" as to whether this is what actually happened. However, the two team members whose badges were not stored with those of the trainees did not receive doses above the permissible maximum.

2. The source containers are now being checked to see if the leakage from them is such as to yield the doses received by the film badges. Action has been taken to insure that film badges will be adequately protected from radiation sources in the future.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



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