



HEADQUARTERS  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

IN REPLY REFER TO  
MEDPS-PO

16 August 1963

SUBJECT: Overexposure to Ionizing Radiation

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth United States Army  
ATTN: Chief Surgeon  
APO 301, San Francisco, California

1. The inclosed copy of TWX, SD 10409, dated 13 August 1963 from Sacramento Army Depot, Sacramento, California indicates that Captain Thomas E. Shea of your command received a dose of ionizing radiation of 1645 millirems during the period 7 July to 3 August, 1963.
2. A dose of 1645 millirems is in excess of the permissible total body radiation for a four week period. Should such incidents recur frequently, serious impairment to the health of the individual could result.
3. This office would appreciate receiving any information which might have been obtained in the course of investigating the circumstances responsible for the alleged overexposure to ionizing radiation.

FOR THE SURGEON GENERAL:

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ADAM J. RAPALSKI  
Colonel, MC  
Chief, Preventive Medicine Division

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TO RUMSMA/CO 8TH FIELD HOSP SAIGON VIETNAM

INFO RUEPDA/SURG GEN DA WASHDC

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UNCLAS SD 10409 INFO MEDCE-OH FROM SSMSA-DDM-4

RADIATION OVERDOSE OF 1.645 REMS RECD BY SHEA, THOMAS E., CAPT,  
05014651 (FILM BADGE 001) DURING PD "C", 7 JUL TO 3 AUG 63, FROM  
100 KV X-RAY. ALLOWABLE DOSAGE FOR THIS PD IS 1.20 REMS. PLS CFM

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