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SUBJECT: Defense Atomic Support Agency (DASA) Relationships with Project
3A062110A824 - Ionizing Radiation Injury - Prevention and Treatment

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1. References:

a. DOD Directive 5105.31 "Defense Atomic Support Agency (DASA)."

b. Letter (STMD) Defense Atomic Support Agency, dated 6 June 1968, subjects: Minutes of the NWER Long Range Planning Meeting.

2. While it is recognized that DASA's mission (as given in reference a.) is broad, the objective of subject RDT&E project is considered as more closely related to the mission of TSG, DA, and that the US Army Medical Research and Development Command is the most appropriate agency to manage and conduct this effort. The subject project is TSG's response to the Priority I Qualitative Materiel Development Objective entitled, "Prophylaxis and Therapy to Offset Effects of Ionizing Radiation" (CDOG Para. 1212b (21)). The very strict priorities and limited dollar resources for DASA's Biomedical NWER Program (as explained in reference b.) would preclude DASA's support of subject RDT&E project at the present time.

3. By mutual agreement between the Medical Directorate, DASA, and the US Army Medical Research and Development Command, subject RDT&E project has continued as an Army supported effort for the past several years. There is close coordination and liaison between this office and DASA regarding both the DASA Biomedical NWER Program and subject RDT&E project. Representatives of TSG, DA participate in the NWER Long Range Planning Meetings, DASA sponsored DASA/DOD Medical Coordination Conferences and Panel N-5, TTCP meetings. An Army member, Dr. David P. Jacobus is Chairman of the Working Group on Chemoprophylaxis of the Panel N-5.

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