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27 December 1944.

To: Medical Officer in Charge, Medical Research
Department, New London.

Via: Commanding Officer.

Subje: Authorization for Civilian Medical Treatment of
Aero-Otitis Media Cases, Request for.

Ref: (a) MOinC, Med. Research Dept. New London, ltr
dated 1 Dec 1944, with CO, US Sub. Base 1st
end. NB7/P2(B) dated 2 Dec 1944.

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2. Deep X-ray application is not a harmless procedure, either in the immediate or possible late effect, and might bring such a situation to general notice with the threat of unfavorable publicity.
3. It is suggested that arrangements be made for subject experimental therapy with the U. S. Naval Hospital, Newport, R. I.

/s/
ROSS T. McIntire
Vice Admiral (MC)
Surgeon General, U.S.N.

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