

MEDDH-NT

FY 63 Funds, NWER Subtask 03.079

Chf, Surg Res Br

Chf, Nuc Energy Div

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Lt Col Hicken/me/63017

1. Since it is becoming more and more apparent that the FY 63 funds for the AMedS portion of Nuclear Weapons Effects Research Subtask 03.079, "Flashblindness and Chorioretinal Burns in Personnel Using Optical Instruments", will not be expended for research in that area within the foreseeable future, it is proposed that action be taken to close this inactive subtask.

2. Two courses are open to attain this end:

- a. Return the funds to the Defense Atomic Support Agency; or,
- b. Reprogram the funds to subtasks managed by this division.

3. Your comments and recommendations on this matter are requested.

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FROM Surg Res Br

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1. Would advise awaiting reply from Col. William Tigertt, Commanding Officer, WRAIR, on plans for implementing oculo-visual support effort for just this sort of study before taking action to return funds to DASA or reprogram.

2. Colonel Tigertt's answer to Command's request for his recommendation was due 1 August, and should be in this office by 7 October. Follow-up has indicated that response is being typed at WRAIR Headquarters.

3. Should response indicate further significant difficulties in providing military medical (ophthalmologic) assistance to Army Materiel Command, I would suggest that you reprogram funds to subtasks managed by your division.

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