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SUBJ: INSCOM GRILL FLAME PROGRAM (U)

A. MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL'S HUMAN SUBJECTS RESEARCH REVIEW BOARD - 20 NOVEMBER 1979, DATED 2 JANUARY 1980 (U).

1. ALTHOUGH REFERENCED MINUTES DO NOT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS THE INSCOM GRILL FLAME PROGRAM, I FELT THAT THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES CONTAINED IN THE MINUTES IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF WHAT STEPS WE AHVE TAKEN TO BRING OUR PROGRAM INTO LINE WITH THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.

2. (U) FIRST, WE HAVE REVISED THE CONSENT FORM TO REFLECT THE CHANGES AS STATED IN PARA 3A(1) AND (2) OF REFERENCE. WE WILL HAVE ALL PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN OUR PROGRAM SIGN THE NEW FORM.

3. (C) PARA 2A OF REFERENCE CONTAINED THREE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS. THE FIRST RECOMMENDATION DOES NOT APPLY TO OUR PROGRAM. IAW THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION, WE NOW HAVE THE COMMAND PSYCHOLOGIST ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN OUR PROGRAM. IN FACT, THE COMMAND PSYCHOLOGIST HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH OUR PROGRAM MANAGER SINCE EARLY OCT 1979. AMONG OTHER AREAS OF INTEREST/CONCERN, MY PROJECT MANAGER AND THE COMMAND PSYCHOLOGIST ARE CURRENTLY CORRDIATING ON PRODUCING PERSONALITY PROFILES ON ALL INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM IN THE HOPES OF FINDING SOME "COMMON THREADS."

4. (U) FINALLY, CONCERNING THE THIRD RECOMMENDATION (PARA 2A OF REF), WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SETTING UP AN INTERNAL REVIEW COMMITTEE WHICH WILL MEET ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO REVIEW THE STATUS OF OUR PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS/OBSERVATIONS AS APPROPRIATE.

5. (U) REGARDING PARA 4 OF REFERENCE, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ANY PREGNANT WOMEN IN THE PROGRAM AND WE WILL INSURE THAT THE SITUATION REMAINS STATIC.

6. (U) THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ABOVE (PARA 3-6) ACTIONS SHOULD KEEP OUR PROGRAM IN LINE WITH CURRENT GUIDANCE FROM THE SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE AND I WANTED YOU TO BE AWARE OF OUR DEEP CONCERN AND PROGRESS IN THESE MATTERS.

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