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DOD APPROVES ARMY PLAN FOR DESTRUCTION OF MUSTARD AGENT

The Department of the Army today announced that its plans for the destruction by incineration of obsolete mustard agent located at Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Denver, Colorado, have been approved by the Department of Defense.

An environmental impact statement required by Public Law 91-190 has been provided for comment to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of the Interior, the State of Colorado, and local agencies in the Denver area.

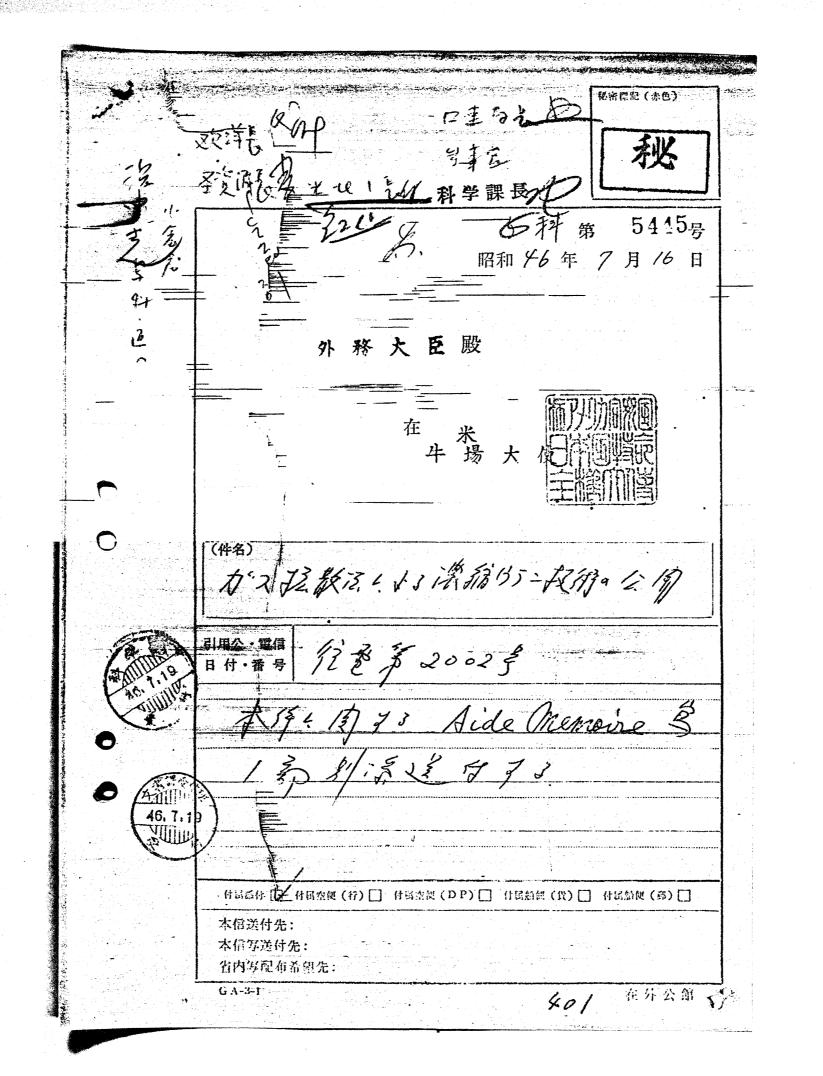
Actual operations, which incorporate stringent safety and security measures, will not be initiated until the final environmental impact statement, together with comments received from Federal, State and local agencies, is filed with the President's Council on Environmental Quality. The plan for the operation has been reviewed by the Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service.

It is estimated that incineration of 3071 tons of mustard agent stored at Rocky Mountain Arsenal will begin approximately July 6, 1971, and will take about five months to complete. The method of incineration was recommended by the National Academy of Sciences.

A test of the operation is being conducted using a simulant to assure that air pollutants will remain within the stringent limits established for the Rocky Mountain Arsenal operation. This test is being witnessed by representatives of HEW and interested State agencies of the State of Colorado. The simulant test is being conducted under the same controls which will be used during actual operations to assure that emissions will be within the standards established by the State of Colorado and Federal guidelines.

Additionally, as a further safeguard, a network of nine air monitoring stations, using the most modern and sophisticated automatic monitoring equipment available, has been deployed around the Arsenal's boundaries to assure that emissions during the actual operation never exceed established standards.

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The Government of the United States is aware of the growing demand for enriched uranium for nuclear power plants throughout the world, and of the interest abroad in expanding enrichment capabilities to meet this demand. The United States Government is modernizing its gaseous diffusion plants to be able to continue its policy of entering into long-term uranium enrichment contracts for nuclear power reactors in the United States and abroad.

However, recognizing that, ultimately, new enrichment capacity may be needed to meet worldwide requirements, the United States Government is prepared to undertake exploratory talks with the Commission of the European Communities, the member states and the United Kingdom on the possibility of making United States gaseous diffusion enrichment technology available outside the United States, under appropriate financial and security arrangements, for the construction of additional enrichment capacity on a multinational basis.

The Government of the United States is also prepared to discuss with the Governments of Canada, Australia and Japan the possibility of similar multinational cooperation if they desire.

Department of State,

Washington, July 16, 1971.