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To Linda Aird, Alex Smith's office
From John Ainslie, Scottish CND

FASLANE NUCLEAR ACCIDENT EXERCISE

I have spoken to John Large, a sympathetic nuclear consultant, about the new Clyde Public Safety Scheme (CLYDEPUBSAFE). He would like to get hold of a copy of two documents which are referred to as references on the first page of the safety scheme:

BR 3019 (1) & (4)
and CLYDENUSAFE

CLYDENUSAFE is the emergency plan used within Faslane. We are not sure what BR 3019 is.

Would it be possible for you to write to Faslane asking for not only a copy of the Clyde Public Safety Scheme itself but also for copies of these two related documents ?

The person who produced CLYDEPUBSAFE and who will be central to the exercise is Ian Dell. It would probably be better to write directly to him to ask for copies and with any other queries:

Lt Cmdr Ian Dell,
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Attached:
p (v) of CLYDEPUBSAFE

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12 October 1997

Dear Mr Smith,

With reference to your letter of 24 September and my reply of 9 October, I have received a reply from the Ministry of Defence regarding nuclear accident response publications.

I regret that a Defence Council Instruction restricts the distribution of documents given a security classification, even the low grading given to the books requested. However, as a result of your letter the MoD is considering removing the classification on the BR3019(4) - Monitoring Procedures.

I would hope that most questions that you would have regarding nuclear accident response at the Naval Base would be satisfied by the Clyde Public Safety Scheme. Written in close consultation with the civil Strathclyde Emergencies Coordinating Committee, it applies the guidance contained in BRs 3019(1) & (4) and complements the orders given for actions within the Naval Base itself.

Whilst I regret that I cannot supply the other documents requested, I would be most happy to answer any questions that remain or to put you in touch with the appropriate members of the SECC.

Yours sincerely

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9 October 1997

Dear Mr Smith,

Thank you for your letter of 24 September in which you requested copies of certain publications prior to Exercise SHORT SERMON. I regret that my absence on duty has prevented an earlier reply.

I have instructed our Registry to forward you immediately a copy of the Clyde Public Safety Scheme. This document details the combined civilian and naval response to the unlikely event of a nuclear reactor accident in the Clyde area and is available in the public domain.

However, the other publications carry a security caveat which prevents their distribution outside the Ministry of Defence without authority. I have contacted the Directorate for Nuclear Accident Response on your behalf and await their reply.

If you have any questions, or comments to make regarding CLYDEPUBSAFE, please do not hesitate to call me. For information, the revised dates of SHORT SERMON are the 18 - 20 November 1997.

Yours sincerely

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