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UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE

POST OFFICE BUILDING

SAVANNAH, GA.

FOR VICTORY BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

REFER TO FILE NO.

SASKH-2

20 May 1947

SUBJECT: Certificates of Dedudding

TO: Division Engineer
South Atlantic Division
Atlanta, Georgia

1. In view of the fact that a considerable number of high explosives, bombs, etc., have been found on the Turret and Demonstration Range at Pinecastle Army Air Field, Florida, it is requested that the Certificate of Dedudding and Report of Survey, forwarded to the Division Office by 1st Indorsement dated 4 April 1947, be rescinded or returned to this office.

2. It is also requested that Certificates of Dedudding on the following installations be rescinded or returned to this office:

a. Orlando Texie Gas Yard, transmitted by 3rd Indorsement dated 10 May 1947.

b. Ocala National Forest, Florida, containing approximately 40,887 acres, transmitted by letter dated 7 April 1947.

c. Camp Butner, N. C., transmitted by letter dated 15 April 1947.

3. This office feels that since these ranges were dedudded by the using forces and inspected only by the Bomb & Shell Disposal Team that they should be re-checked, as considerable dangerous material has been found on the ranges located in Florida.

4. Captain Keane of the Bomb & Shell Disposal Team No. 8 has advised that varied bombs have been found on the Pinecastle Army Air Field Range and that it appears that these bombs were deliberately buried with a bulldozer or by some other method.

5. The above is in accordance with telephone conversation between Mr. Uttenhove of the Division Office, Mr. Petit of the Chief of Engineers Office, and Mr. Collier of this office on 19 May 1947.

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District Engineer

cc: Mr. Gunn
Captain Keane