

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO : Roy Reider, Safety Director DATE: June 13, 1969

FROM : R. W. Drake, GMX-DO and W. C. Courtright, H-3

SUBJECT: INSPECTION OF TA-20 and TA-27 FOR LOOSE EXPLOSIVES

SYMBOL : H-3

REFERENCE: Letter of July 11, 1967, Drake and Courtright to Reider, subject:
"ANNUAL INSPECTION OF TA-20 and TA-27 FOR LOOSE EXPLOSIVES."

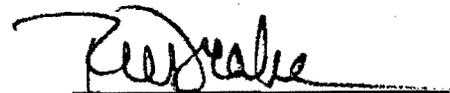
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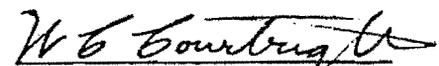
On June 6, 1969 a visual inspection for loose explosives was made of the above two sites.

We inspected an area of about 300 foot radius around TA-20-3 and found two small pieces of loose explosives. These pieces were approximately 35 feet west of LASL Survey Marker BC-926. (Same general area as in 1967.) We again recommend the continued maintenance of the "Danger-Explosives" sign.

At TA-27-2 several small pieces of explosives were found at six or seven areas. The areas were separated about 20-50 feet except for one area which was approximately 200 feet east of the former location of Building 3. The total amount collected on this inspection at TA-27 was approximately 150 grams. This site should continue to be protected by the existing signs and fence along the south side of Pajarito Road. We would suggest that these two areas be resurveyed again in about two years and prior to the spring growth of grass. We again pointed out to the local AEC, as in the above reference, that some of the "Danger-Explosives-Keep-Out" signs on the fence around the former bazooka impact range across Pajarito Road have faded and should be replaced.

We also visited the former firing points in Bayo Canyon (TA-10). There is good grass coverage and a considerable amount of shrapnel and other metal debris that has worked its way to the surface. We did not see anything of a hazardous nature, only of the attractive nuisance type.


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H-3 Perimeter File (TA-10 and TA-20-27)