ANNEX S

MILITARY SUPPORT TO CIVIL DEFENSE (MSCD)

- a. Following an attack on CONUS, significant military effort will be required to support civil defense. DOD is responsible for this mission.
- b. MSCD will be executed through the Commander-in-Chief, US Army Readiness Command (CINCARRED). The chain-of-command extends from CINCARRED through the appropriate CONUSAs to the State Area Commands (STARC). Efforts of the STARC will be coordinated with those of FEMA regional coordinators. Decisions concerning priorities for provision of assistance will be made by the Regional Preparedness Committee, FEMA and the STARC.
- c. Commanders will ensure that support to civil defense does not detract from the performance of assigned USACE military support missions or execution of essential functions following declaration of MSCD by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Except for immediate life saving situations, USACE supportto civil defense will be authorized only through the CONUSA or the STARC.
- d. For pre-attack planning purposes, USACE divisions are assigned specific responsibilities for coordination with FEMA regions, CONUSA, and state adjutants general to identify post-attack construction requirements, and for planning post-attack management of construction resources. Division commanders are designated engineer advisors to CONUSA commanders located within civil works boundaries and will provide required engineer assistance to DOD representatives on the Regional Preparedness Committees. Appendix C provides a listing of the initial division points of contact for coordination with CONUSA, FEMA, and state adjutants general.
- e. MSCD tasks for which the Corps of Engineers may use its construction, engineering, and administrative capabilities to provide engineering support are outlined in Table 2-5 of AR 500-70.
- f. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and DOD are developing the Military Emergency Response Plan (MERP), this plan should greatly enhance the planning process for the Corps' support of MSCD and Military Assistance to Civilian Authorities (MACA).