## HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN COMMAND APO SEATTLE 98742

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SUBJECT: Emergency Repairs of the Haines-Fairbanks Pipeline

TO: Commanding General, United States Army, Alaska (ARAGL) Fort Richardson, Alaska

1. Request you take action to secure emergency repair funds for the immediate replacement of twelve miles of corroded pipeline near Dezadeash Lake, Canada. The District Engineer, Alaska, states that this line is in extremely poor condition and that it can be replaced contractually, if necessary, for an estimated 1.2 million dollars. The present emergency capability of the line is considered the minimum acceptable and this repair should increase the reliability factor even though the flow rate may not be improved. Further, the Canadian Government has stated that any future spill in their country, particularly in this area, will be received very unfavorably.

2. It seems highly improbable that funds for the complete repair of the south 342 miles of this pipeline will be available for use in the summer construction season of 1969. In fact, this Headquarters recommends that you plan to continue to operate the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline with minimum essential repair while the future requirements for and status of the pipeline is documented to provide a basis for deciding the extent of the total repair project to be accomplished (Attachment 1).

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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