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Sent: 30 May 2001 17:06
To: John Large
Subject: FW: Z Berth

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 May 2001 12:29
To: 'nis@gn.apc.org'
Subject: RE: Z Berth

I am approaching this from the point of view that it will take 6 to 9 months to produce the off-site plan acknowledging that to do so we will have to wait for the legislation to be laid and the Royal Navy, HSE and others to provide us with information on those areas which need reviewing or are currently not addressed in Sotonsafe. I have indicated to the Navy that this includes:-

1. Details of hazards and risks associated with nuclear weapons
2. Identification of the type and severity of all incidents and accidents including the possibility of plant defects
3. Implementation and administration of countermeasures (particularly PITs distribution)
4. How off-site radiation monitoring is to be undertaken
5. How dose level information is to be passed to the civil authorities including an assessment of the staffing and equipment resources needed

Basically, I will need information on all those areas that Mr Large indicated are necessary to ensure any off-site plan is fully compliant with REPPiR. Members will want to see that all the perceived shortcomings of the current plan have been addressed - if they feel that there are still areas which are wanting then they will not adopt the new plan. It is up to the MoD, HSE, DRPS and NRPB to provide me with all the information necessary to ensure this happens. I would stress that this is my appraisal of the situation and until REPPiR is laid and any accompanying guidance is available from HSE, I am making a guess at what will be needed. Please do come back to me if you wish to discuss further.

Regards

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Thanks for you reply

The news I have is that it will take the Navy six to nine months to provide Southampton CC with the information. Do you know what "information " is referred to? & what happens in the meantime?

I'm away from my desk until tuesday, but htere's no rush for this if you have to do some research. My news is not from the Southampton end, but we don't disclose our sources in case they dry up!

Di

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From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: RE: Z Berth

I am unsure exactly what is meant by your comment. The letter to the Navy has now been sent and makes the point that there is a large amount of information which is needed (and a copy of this letter has been seen by the Leader). There has been no change in the Council's position and the decision made by Members of Corporate Committee remains unaltered. I hope this clarifies the situation. I am unavailable most of this morning but am happy to speak to you this afternoon. Please send me an email on any matters which you feel are unclear.
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> I understand there might be some retraction of the council's position in
> asmuch that it now says that the Navy is to provide sufficient information
> for its planning and public information purposes.

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> Can this be true? Do the Councillors who voted 13/2 against subs coming in
> know?

> Please clarify the position asap
> Di McDonald

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> "The sheer folly of trying to defend a nation by destroying all life on
> the planet
> must be apparent to anyone capable of rational thought."
> Queen Noor al Hussein, of Jordan