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FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE

MEMO No. 944 15 May 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Joint Committee

SUBJECT: Kobi Sho Range

1. Reference: Agreement under Article VI of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United States of America and Japan, Regarding Facilities and Areas and the Status of United States Armed Forces in Japan.

2. It is agreed that, in accordance with the provisions of Article II 1(a) of reference, the U.S. Government is granted the use of the facility and area described below and as shown on Inclosures, hereto.

- a. Facility name: Kobi Sho Range.
- b. Facility number: FAC 6084.
- c. Location: Aza Tonoshiro, Ishigaki-Shi, Okinawa-Ken.
- d. Primary purpose of use: Air to Ground Range.
- e. Extent of area: Generally as shown on the Inclosure.

(1) Land area: Approximately 874,200 square meters as shown on the Inclosure.

(2) Non-U.S. owned buildings: None.

(3) Water area: Water surface area contiguous to Kobi Sho extending out to a distance of 100 meters as shown on the Inclosure.

(4) Air space: The air space overlying the land and water areas described above. Altitudes: To 4000 feet.

f. Duration of requirements: Indefinite.

g. Remarks:

(1) Conditions of use:

(a) Hours of usage: 0700 to 1700 for the water and air areas described in paragraph 2e above. Use at any other time will be as announced.

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(b) Utilization: Air-to-Ground bombing and gunnery utilizing all conventional ordnance with which aircraft are equipped.

(c) U.S. Forces will insure the range is clear of non-participating vessels and aircraft.

(d) Manner of notification: U.S. officials will notify the Defense Facilities Administration Agency (DFAA) in principle 15 days in advance of intended use of the water area described in paragraph 2e above. However, in the event of unforeseeable circumstances, prior notification will be effected no less than 6 days in advance of intended use.

(2) Others: The water area described in paragraph 2e above is restricted for exclusive use by U.S. Forces during specified periods of use.

3. It is recommended that this matter be approved.

1 Incl:

Location and Boundary Map entitled "Kobi Sho Range," 24 August 1971. (With JC files only)

Accepted and referred to the Joint Committee on 15 May 1972

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Japanese Chairman

/s/R. W. Belt  
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Captain, United States Navy  
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Approved by the Joint Committee on 15 May 1972

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