

ARMY PEARL HARBOR BOARD EXHIBIT No. 32

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WASHINGTON DC 837P Mar 12 1941

COMMANDING GENERAL,
Hawaiian Dept Ft Shafter TH

665 Twelfth yourrad two three nine you are authorized to make final decision on design and layout and other details of construction within limitations of funds now available for AWS projects in your department and subject to approval by Department of Interior of construction projects in national park Period Department of Interior desires preliminary building plans only showing size architecture and general appearance Period Plans will be submitted by you to Mister Wingate park superintendent for transmittal by him direct to Washington by air mail Period Expedite reply by radio Period Submission of duplicate plans by you direct to this office by air mail will facilitate and expedite action Period Park service advises CCC camp will be vacated to make room for army personnel and equipment Period Park ranger only will remain at station Period

[2] There will be no joint housing with other agencies Period Park service indicates that with concurrence of Superintendent Wingate it will recommend approval of Red Hill and CCC sites for War Department use with understanding that installations and buildings be approved by Department of Interior prior to construction Period Department of Interior positively refuses occupancy of forty acre tract and demands that preliminary building plans be submitted as heretofore requested Period Appreciate fully your position but consider it highly undesirable to attempt further discussion with Department of Interior on these two questions Period Desired you contact Superintendent Wingate and submit further recommendations by radio regarding use of CCC camp site when vacated

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF,
Washington, March 15, 1941.

Lieut. General WALTER C. SMOY,
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department,
Fort Shafter, T. H.

DEAR GENERAL SMOY: The matters referred to in your secret letter dated March 6, 1941, and the inclosures thereto, have been given careful study.

The War Department appreciates fully the necessity for the early establishment of the aircraft warning service stations in the Hawaiian Department. However, it will be necessary to comply with certain fixed regulations in those cases where facilities are to be established on lands pertaining to the Department of the Interior. The National Park Service officials are willing to give us the temporary use of their lands when other lands are not suitable for the purpose.