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SUBJECT Introduction of Honest John and 280mm Gun BNS into Korea

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (ISA) 100th and the

**Problem:** To inform the Department of State on the introduction of the 663d field artillery bns into Korea.

**Discussion:** On 8 January 1958 the Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs requested that he be kept informed on the exact timing of the introduction into Korea of the Honest John and 280mm gun field artillery battalions [redacted]. The Department of the Army has advised this office that: (1) the movement of the 100th and 663d field artillery battalions [redacted] has been directed calling for their deployment in Korea by 31 January 1958; and (2) certain [redacted] are already in place in Korea. A Dept/Army memorandum transmitting this information to DOD is now being processed for signature.

**Implementation:** Signature of the attached letter to the Assistant Secretary of State, Far Eastern Affairs, will advise him that the 100th and 663d units with dual capable weapons [redacted] are now being deployed to Korea.

**Recommendation:** That you sign the attached letter. **BEST COPY AVAILABLE**

**Concurrence:** Department of the Army, Col. Ptak, DCS/OPS - Korea.

*[Signature]*  
B. [redacted]  
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Dear Mr. Robertson:

Reference is made to your letter of January 8, 1958, concerning the introduction of the Honest John and 280mm gun field artillery battalions into Korea.

The Department of the Army has directed the introduction of the 100th (Honest John) and the 64th (280mm gun) field artillery battalions into Korea with dual capable weapons. Implementing instructions to the field call for the deployment of these units into Korea by 31 January 1958.

Advance parties from both the 64th and the 100th field artillery battalions are now in Korea.



Sincerely yours,

(Signed) John N. Irwin, II  
John N. Irwin, II  
Deputy Assistant Secretary

Honorable Walter S. Robertson  
Assistant Secretary of State  
for Far Eastern Affairs  
Department of State

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Jan. 16, 1958

Dear Mr. Robertson,

Reference is made to your letter of January 8, 1958, concerning the introduction of the Honest John and 280mm gun field artillery battalions into Korea.

The Department of the Army has directed the introduction of the 100<sup>th</sup> (Honest John) and the 663<sup>rd</sup> (280mm gun) field artillery battalions into Korea with dual capable weapons [excised portions]. Implementing instructions to the field call for the deployment of these units into Korea by 31 January 1958.

Advance parties from both the 663<sup>rd</sup> and the 100<sup>th</sup> field artillery battalions are now in Korea. [excised portions]

Sincerely yours,

John N. Irwin, II  
Deputy Assistant Secretary

Honorable Walter S. Robertson  
Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs  
Department of State

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