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HEADQUARTERS
Army Air Force Station 170

APO 140, U.S. Army,
25 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Mustard Gas Exercise.

TO : All Unit Commanders, this Station.

1. A mustard gas exercise involving the use of live mustard will be held on this Station Thursday morning, 27 July 1944, starting at 0930 hours. Announcement will be made over the Tannoy, and in general, the procedure will be similar to previous exercises conducted on this station.

2. All personnel will wear impregnated coveralls with leggins and hood over their OD uniforms on the morning of 27 July 1944. (Note: Air crews will also wear impregnated clothing to and from the line, but such clothing will not be worn on missions.) Gas masks will be carried. Each individual soldier is responsible that his protective clothing and equipment are in order.

3. All windows will be closed on the Gas Alert. The Decontamination Station north of the PX is to be used by contaminated personnel and decontamination crews only. Sick Annex will care for injured personnel.

4. Upon receiving information that a chemical attack is probable, all personnel will wear the eyeshields and keep under cover as much as normal duties allow. Under actual attack personnel will, in the event it is a spray attack, use the individual protective capes first and then don the gas mask. In other cases the mask will be adjusted to the face immediately upon detection of the agent or upon hearing the alarm in the particular sector. Unnecessary activity will cease, and personal first aid needs cared for.

5. In each sector, the Unit Gas Officer will give the "All Clear" when the gas danger has passed.

6. There will be hot water available in the afternoon for showers.

7. Unit Commanders are directed to call the attention of their organization to this directive.

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