

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Memorandum

MAIN/JIW/th
6240/11
DATE: 25 Oct 1979

FROM Director, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Division

TO Investigating Officer

SUBJ Oil Spill behind FC-200

Ref: (a) Mtg btwn Capt Clampet, 2d FSSG, and Mr. J. Wooten, BMaintDept, on
10 Oct 79
(b) CG MCBCCL 1tr MAIN/JIW/gbg 6240/11 dtd 31 Jul 79

1. As requested during reference (a), the following information is provided. At approximately 1400 on 23 July 1979, I received a phone call from someone assigned to 2dFSSG that an oil spill had occurred at a bladder behind FC-200. Upon arrival, I observed a ruptured fuel bladder and fuel outside the bladder dike. The fuel was traced from the spill site to Cogdels Creek behind the fuel farm.

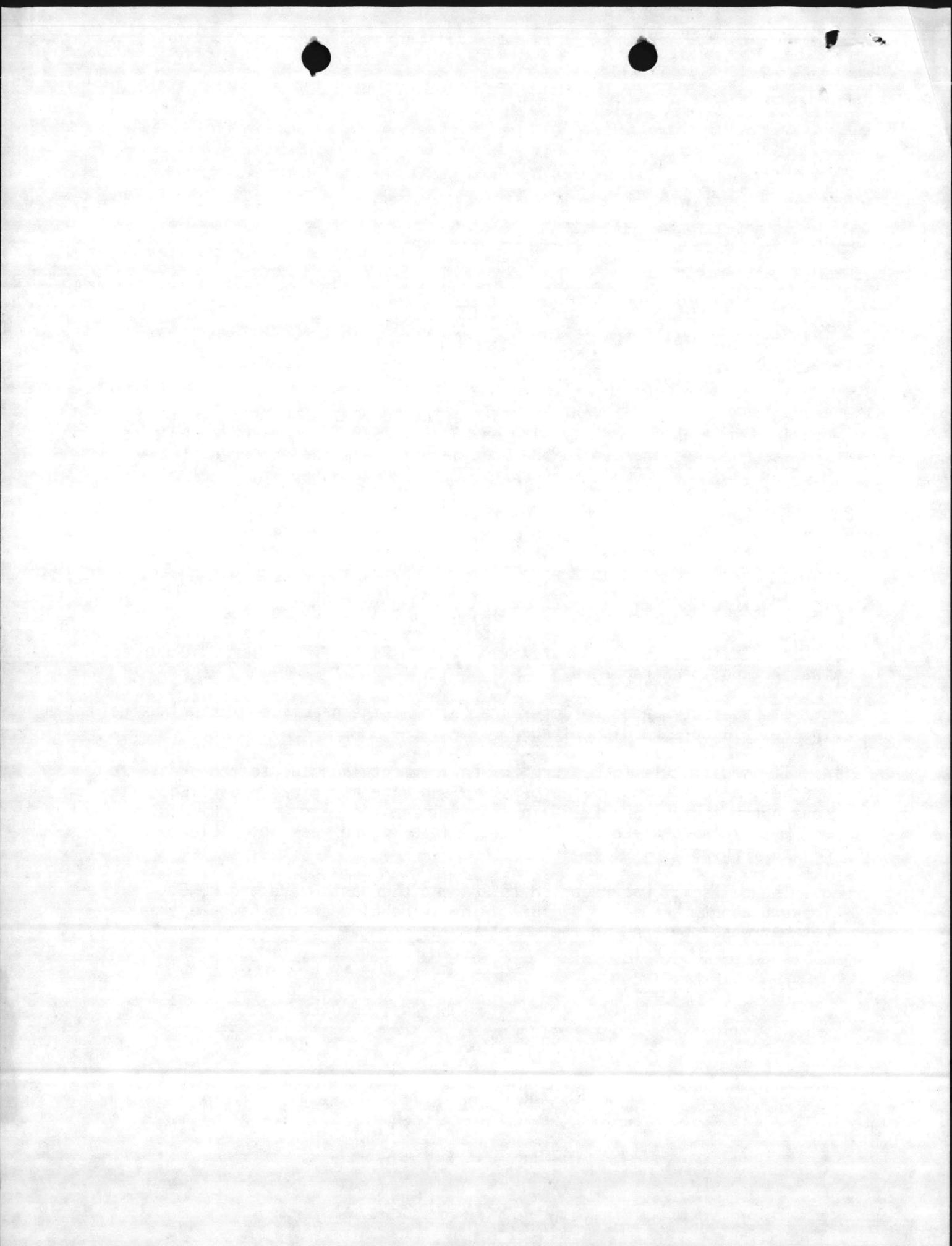
2. I was told by Lt Spillers that the fuel flowing to Cogdels Creek didn't come from the ruptured bladder, however, it was obvious that it did. I was told that the drainline was closed when the spill occurred. On 26 July 1979, Lt Menza, XO, Bulk Fuel Company, advised that the fuel was deliberately drained from the diked area after the spill occurred. I was told that several (approximately 8 or 9) other spills had occurred that had not been reported.

3. It was recommended by reference (b) that the practice of storing fuel in fuel bladders be discontinued.

4. It is difficult to measure the environmental damage to the area, however, a considerable area of swampland vegetation was destroyed. It cost approximately \$2,772.26 in Base Maintenance manpower, equipment and materials to clean up the spill. This figure does not include military support.

5. The oil spill was reported to EPA and US Coast Guard and HQMC. Concern about the number of spills involving bladders at Camp Lejeune was expressed by EPA and the Coast Guard.

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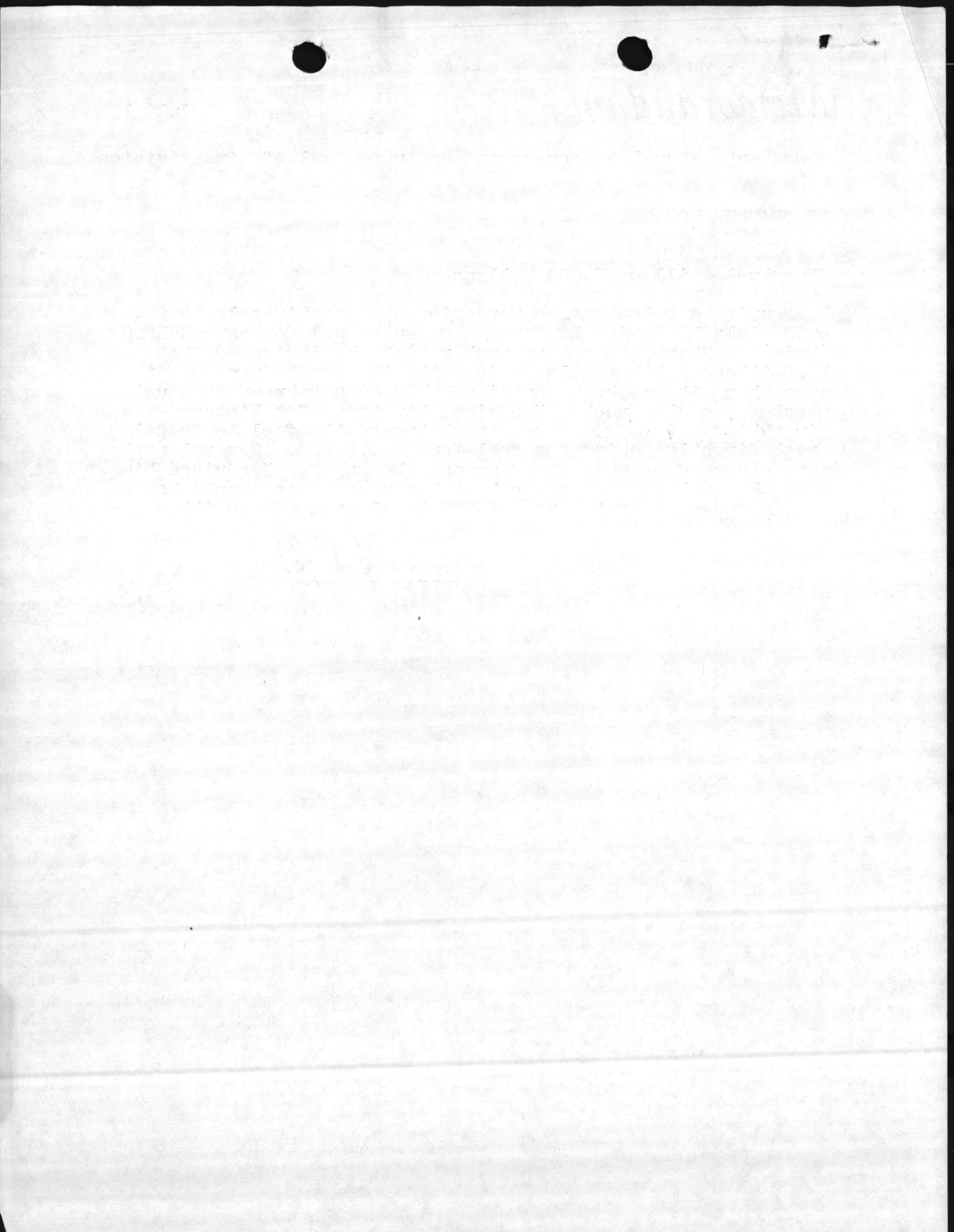
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TO MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJ JP-5 Fuel Spill of 7,500 Gallons

1. During a telephone conversation at approximately 1430 on 26 July 1979 with Lt Menza, XO, Bulk Fuel Company, 2dFSSG (Rein), FMFLant, telephone number 1427, he indicated that Lt Spillers deliberately drained the JP-5 fuel from the diked area where it had been contained. He didn't know the fuel reached Cogdels Creek. I advised him that MSgt Hinton, Base Fire ~~Officer~~ *Avien* and I traced the fuel to Cogdels Creek directly behind the fuel farm at FC-200. Several pools were observed between the farm and the creek. I advised him that the fuel would have to be taken up and Base would be asking for assistance from 2dFSSG to clean up the spill.

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Write

Investigating Officer
FC-200 Oil Spill of July 79

- (4)
1. Time spill reported
 2. What I saw going to creek
 3. What I was told
 4. Corrective action
 5. Damage done

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BD - open
JA - cloud
GB - cloud

