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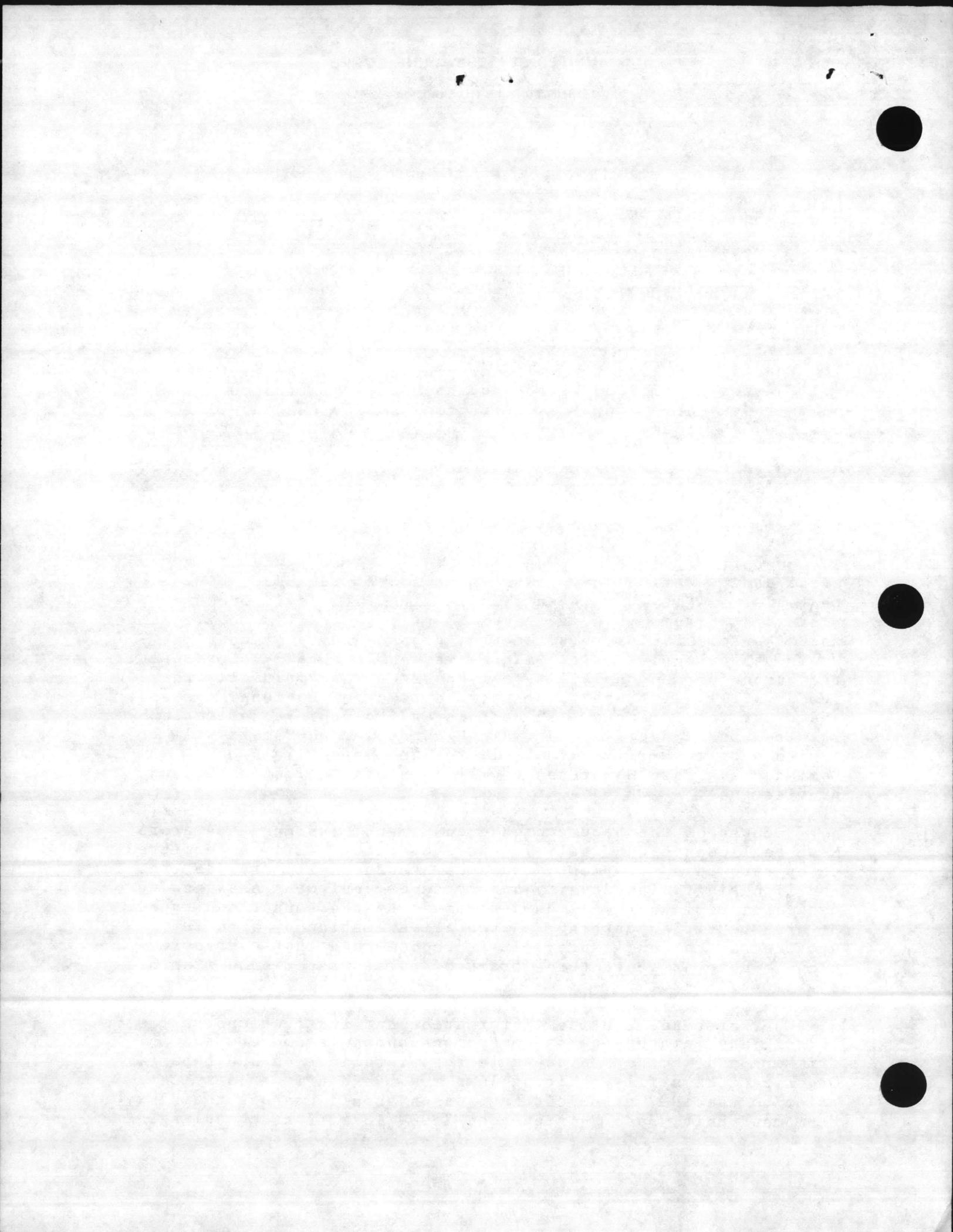
From: Commanding General

Subj: FY87 GRASS CUTTING PROGRAM

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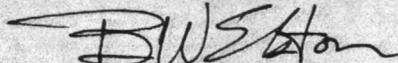
Encl: (1) Tentative Equipment Assignment Listing

1. Funding limitations for labor placed on Marine Corps Base will have a significant impact on the Base Maintenance Division again this year. In particular, grounds maintenance will be affected where seasonal workers are traditionally hired primarily as grass cutters. Except during last summer, Base Maintenance has cut grass on road shoulders, common areas and areas of high visibility with tractor-drawn equipment while tenants cut areas immediately adjacent to their assigned buildings with hand trimmers and push type mowers.
2. A contract has been advertised to cut grass in all improved areas aboard Marine Corps Base and MCAS and includes those areas that historically have been tenant responsibility. Because of pre-award surveys, bonding requirements, contractor mobilization and other contractor requirements, grass cutting by contract will not be in place until mid-May or early June. Accordingly, the burden of responsibility for grass cutting initially this summer will again have to be shifted to organizational commanders and other Base tenants. To do this and to achieve desirable results, tractor-drawn and riding lawn mower equipment will be assigned on a "U-Drive-It" basis to the respective Area Commanders. Base Maintenance will maintain the equipment and provide fuel.
3. Because of the nature of the equipment, assigned operators must be licensed, and only licensed operators will be permitted to operate this equipment. Base Maintenance will provide training and licensing. The density and types of equipment assigned to each Area Commander will be determined by the amount and type of area requiring cutting. A tentative listing by area is provided as the enclosure. It is recommended that addressees plan to have at least three trained operators per each item of equipment.
4. The reference provides information and instructions for issue, turn-in and maintenance of Government-owned lawnmowers and trimmers and includes a schedule for winterization and repair. Organizations still requiring lawn mower and trimmer service prior to the 1987 grass cutting season should contact the Heavy Equipment Unit, Base Maintenance, X5909/1320, for scheduling.



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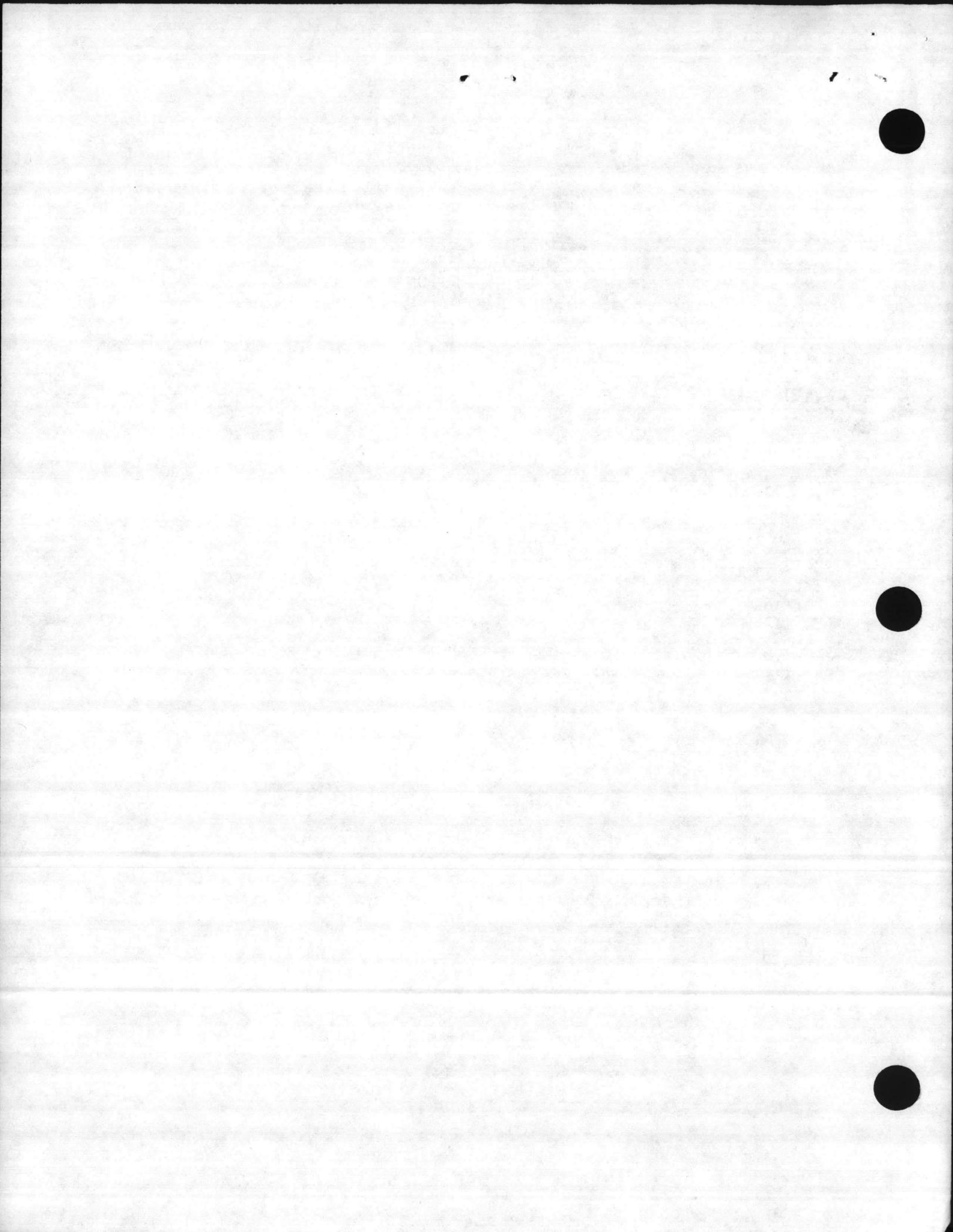
5. A meeting to discuss this program will be held at Building 738 at 1300 on 20 March 1987. It is requested that each addressee be represented by their Facilities Officer. Point of contact concerning this program is Mr. R. E. Avant, Director, Maintenance and Repair Branch, Base Maintenance Division, X5855/5184.



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BMO



TENTATIVE EQUIPMENT ASSIGNMENT LISTING

Courthouse Bay

2 Wheel Tractor and Mower, 90"
1 Riding Mower, 60"

Rifle Range

2 Wheel Tractor
1 Riding Mower, 60"

French creek (H&S BN, 2d FSSG)

1 Wheel Tractor and Mower
1 Riding Yazoo, 60"

Camp Johnson

1 Wheel Tractor and Mower
1 Riding Mower

Division Area

3 Wheel Tractors and Mowers
2 Riding Mowers

Special Services

1 Heckendorn Riding Mower

Dependents' Schools

2 Wheel Tractors
1 Riding Mower

Camp Geiger (CO, 8th Marines)

2 Wheel Tractors and Mowers
1 Riding Mower

Industrial area (SptBn, MCB)

1 Wheel Tractor and Mower
1 Riding Mower, 60"

Range Maintenance

2 Wheel Tractors and Bushog
Mower

Central Area (HqBn, MCB)

1 Wheel Tractor and Mower

MCAS

1 Wheel Tractor

Bachelor Housing

1 Riding Mower

