II September 1967 Cog Service: USN	FSN:	CON	COMMUNICATION SET, RADIO AN/MRC-99(XN-I) Functional Class:		
	USA	USN	USAF		
TYPE CLASS:		Used by			

MANUFACTURER'S NAME/CODE NUMBER: General Electric Co., (03538).

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COMMUNICATION SET, RADIO AN/MRC-99(XN-I)

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION:

Communication Set, Radio AN/MRC-99(XN-1) is a broadband transmitting communication system having transportable capabilities that only a mobile installation offers and serves as an emergency long range communications facility for short term use. The transmitting system operates within the frequency range of 15 to 30 kilocycles. A radiated power of 100 kilowatts or greater is available between 20 and 30 kilocycles with a somewhat reduced power handling capability from 15 to 20 kilocycles. The most significant difference between this transportable very low frequency system and any other very low frequency system is the unique antenna configuration. The antenna is a long-line monopole, up to 10,000 ft in length, that is vertically suspended by a V-shaped balloon. Because of this design feature, the system offers relatively high antenna efficiency and broadband transmission capability. The land-based system is contained in a fleet of 12 semitrailers and support vehicles and is capable of traveling over class 1 roads, gravel roads, and improved terrain to a suitable location for system set-up, launch, and transmit. A reasonably fast set-up time of four to six hours is possible with a trained and experienced crew, assuming relatively level and clear terrain and suitable weather conditions. When the system arrives at a proposed site, an octagonal-shaped launch/ retrieve area, approximately 65 feet on a side, is laid out using a triangular survey template. Launch site communication and exterior lighting equipment are installed, and a radial wire ground system is constructed outward from the periphery of the launch area. Operating and support trailers are then positioned and intercabled.

No field changes in effect at time of preparation (12 April 1967).

RELATION TO OTHER EQUIPMENT: None.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BUT NOT SUPPLIED: None.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS:

PRIMARY POWER REQUIREMENTS: 440 v ac, 3 ph, 60 cps at 400 kva. SECONDARY POWER REQUIREMENTS: 208 v ac, 3 ph, 60 cps, 45 kva; 14,000 v dc, 15 amp. TYPE OF AMPLIFIER: Class AB1 linear.

MODULATION: Capable of FSK, PSK, or CW operation from the test exciter. Modulation inputs from TTY lines, and hand keyed lines, and for introduction of 1000 wpm data locally are provided; also accepts any type of low-level excitation from an external exciter, or a suitable Frequency-Synthesizer-Modulator.

POWER AMPLIFIER PLATE EFFICIENCY: 60% nom.

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TYPE: Monopole. DIRECTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Omni-directional. BANDWIDTH: 500 to 2500 kc. WAVELENGTH: Less than one-quarter wavelength. VOLTAGE RATING: 50 kv-rms max base voltage. FREQUENCY ASSIGNMENTS

VLF TEST FREQUENCIES: 15 designated frequencies, in 15 kc to 29 kc freq range. OTHER ASSIGNED TEST FREQUENCIES:

TELEMETRY (AIR TO GROUND LINK): 217.5 mc. DESTRUCT (GROUND TO AIR LINK): 252.4 mc.

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		MAJOR COMPON	ENTS			
Q TY	ITEM		DIMENSIONS (INCHES)	WE I GH T (LBS)		
1	Communication Set,	Radio AN/MRC-99(XN-1) incl	udes:			
2	Main Winch Trail	er				
1	Cargo Trailer					
1	Transmitter/Cont					
1		nd Matching Trailer				
1	Primary Power Tr	ailer				
4	Helium Trailer				*	
1		Maintenance Trailer				
1	Fuel Truck	rol Trailer Tractor				
1		nd Matching Trailer Tractor	r			
1 1	Primary Power Tr					
1	Auxiliary Winch					
1		Maintenance Trailer Tract	or			
1	Utility Vehicle					
1	LTA Vehicle					
1	Ground Cloth Equ	ipment				
1	Windscreen Equip					
1	Grounding System					
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REFE	RENCE DATA AND LITERA	TURE:			0	
	HPS 0967-156-5010: communications System		ual for Transportable Very	Low Frequency		
		SHIPPING DA	TA			
PKGS		VOLUME (CU FT)		WEIGHT (LBS)		
		PROCUREMENT D	ATA			
	JRING SERVICE: USN &/OR DWG:		DESIGN COG: USN, NavShips			
CONT	RACTOR	LOCATION	CONTRACT OR Order No.	APPROX. Unit cost	A	
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