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Getting the initial word out

Witness aircraft to 16 AF  
16 AF to SAC  
SAC to DNS  
DNS to AEC/ALO  
ALO to Sandia & LASL

2. Getting the necessary people & equipment to the scene

KC 135  
16AF by plane & car later by chopper  
SAC & Albuquerque teams by C-135, C-54, bus  
Later transport plans, choppers, trucks, train

3. Getting all available data on weapons

TWX 16 AF to Seymour Johnson

4. Setting up command post

Seat & radio transmitter  
Tent city

5. Communications from the scene

Radio link through KC-135  
Radio  
Secure teletype  
Phone to 16 AF

6. Information on region

Hard to get maps  
Photo recon  
Photo mosaic

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7. Handling of injuries and deaths

Rescue by local people and fishermen  
Transport to local medical facilities  
Transfer to 16 AF  
Collection of bodies in caskets by local people  
Shipment to 16 AF

8. Locating the weapons and other classified material

Guardia Civil found #1  
#2 & 3 by helicopter & ground search  
Land & sea search for #4  
Pickup of classified paperwork in cockpit

9. Relations with local military - security

Joint Air Policy - Guardia Civil security

10. Public relations - local populace

Claims handling  
Allaying of fears through interpreters and  
Spanish JEN  
Meetings with townspeople

11. Relations with local and national government

All through Gen. Montel  
Open discussion of progress

12. Press Relations

Release from DOD  
Later local releases  
On-scene reporting

13. Relations with other branches of U. S. Government

U. S. Navy  
State Department  
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14. Handling of Technical Problems

Recovery techniques 1, 2, 3  
Search effort  
Theory  
Equipment  
Manpower  
Search plan  
Packaging of weapon material  
Shipment choices.

15. Use of Technical Personnel

Military technical people  
Plane experts  
Underwater gear  
Health physics  
Weapon safety  
AEC team & theoreticians  
Civilians concerned with search gear

16. Handling of health problems

Determining hazards  
Deciding steps to be taken  
Negotiations with Spaniards (JEN)  
Clean-up operation  
Personnel survey  
Education of public

17. EOD work on weapons, packaging and shipment

Render safe  
Collection of hot debris  
Local movement of debris  
Packaging  
Particular teardown problems #4  
Shipment means

18. Clean-up and restoration

Rebuilding damage  
Remove traces of camp  
Payoff claims  
Follow-up health program

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