

ACTION ITEM NO: 2-141

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PROBLEM:

TALPS-FILE import capability.

DISCUSSION:

The current version of the TALPS program has a pull-down menu selection for file import ability, yet the selection is inactive. All Mobile Facility (MF) custodians with 2<sup>nd</sup> MAW are required to report their respective MF inventories via Lotus Approach (\*.dbf) database files. In order to add a particular MALS inventory to TALPS for an event, the user must add each item and its serial number and be sure that it corresponds to the correct MF by Configuration Code and CSP. This is a very time consuming and tedious task.

In addition, this program in its current form does not allow for specific integration of composite MALS CSP packages and the appropriate loading and placement of MF on the T-AVB. Furthermore, as the Table of Basic Allowance (TBA) changes, the TALPS program must be internally configured to recognize the changes to incorporate these considerations into the load plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

Allow the import of Lotus Approach files which are in a \*.dbf format. This would greatly enhance the practicality and user friendly interface of the program to the fleet and its users. Also, the program needs to reflect TBA changes and allow the printing of a sequential load plan with all power and utility requirements accounted for, to ensure the proper hold and cell location.

STATUS: 29 JUL 98

Closed. ASL-34 took for action during the Logistics Review Group (LRG) meeting held at JRB Ft. Worth, Texas on 29 Jul 98. TALPS program currently being imported into the DOD Ship-Loading Program for completion by FY-00.