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1. 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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