

For transmission the week of 9/27/2010

MARS TRAINING SHORT BURST MTSB-03

THE PROWORDS OVER AND OUT

THE USE OF "OVER" AND "OUT" IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO USAF MARS NETS AND HELPS THE NET CONTROL STATION IN CONDUCTING THE NET AND HELPS PREVENT DUAL TRANSMISSIONS.

EVERY VOICE TRANSMISSION ON USAF MARS HF AND VHF CIRCUITS ENDS WITH EITHER THE PROWORD "OVER" OR THE PROWORD "OUT".

WHEN YOU END A TRANSMISSION WITH THE PROWORD "OVER" THAT MEANS YOU EXPECT AN ANSWER.

ON THE OTHER HAND THE USE OF THE PROWORD "OUT" INDICATES NO RESPONSE IS EXPECTED, NECESSARY OR AUTHORIZED.

AN EXAMPLE OF THE USE OF "OUT" IS WHEN THE NCS IS ACKNOWLEDGING CHECK IN TO THE NET. THE PROWORD "OUT" IS APPROPRIATE AFTER THE NCS LISTS THE CHECK INS AS HE/SHE IS NOT EXPECTING ANY OF THESE STATIONS TO ANSWER.

THE PROWORDS "OVER" AND "OUT" ARE NEVER USED TOGETHER AS THEY HAVE CONTRADICTORY MEANINGS.

WHENEVER YOU HEAR THE PROWORD "OUT" THIS INDICATES THE STATIONS WHO WERE COMMUNICATING WITH EACH OTHER HAVE CONCLUDED THEIR BUSINESS AND THE FREQUENCY IS CLEAR FOR OTHER STATIONS TO CALL THE NCS.

AVOID USE OF PHRASES LIKE "NOTHING FURTHER". THE PROWORD "OUT" IMPLIES THIS MEANING.

THE SQUELCH TAIL ON VHF IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE PROWORD "OVER". NOR IS THE "COURTESY BEEP" A SUBSTITUTE ON HF – THE USE OF THE "COURTESY BEEP" IS NOT AUTHORIZED ON USAF MARS.

THIS ENDS THIS MARS TRAINING SHORT BURST.

ARE THERE ANY REQUESTS FOR FILLS, OVER