

August 12, 2019

U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville Attn.: Mr. Kenneth Bryant (CEHNC-CT) 4820 University Square Huntsville, Alabama 35816

Re: Rapid Response Letter Report
Former Fort McClellan
Anniston, Alabama
Contract No. W912DY-10-D-0028; Task Order No. 0015

Dear Mr. Bryant:

- 1. Personnel: Joel Morrell-UXOSO, Daney Gipson-Acting SUXOS, Dwayne French-UXOQCS and James Hudson-UXO III.
- 2. Project: Task 12 Rapid Munitions Response Services Fort McClellan, Alabama
- 3. Requesting Individual: Mr. Van Roberts-MDA Safety Officer
- 4. Field Activities: On Monday, August 12, 2019 at 0921 the ZAPATA's acting SUXOS, Daney Gipson was indirectly contacted by MDA Safety Officer, Van Roberts, to possibly respond to a 60mm Mortar (Figure 1&2) that a construction crew located while working on the Iron Mountain Road Extension aboard McClellan.

0928-The ZAPATA acting SUXOS, Daney Gipson, informed Francis Reilly, the onsite OESS, of the situation. She then obtained permission from Terrence Hamill, the Project Manager (CEHNC), for ZAPATA to respond to the request.

1005-The UXOQCS, Dwayne French, and James Hudson were guided to the construction site by Anniston Fire Department personnel at the intersection of Pappy Dunn Blvd and Iron Mountain Road. (Figure 3)

1100-The item had been moved by the construction crew. It was identified by French and Hudson as a M69 Practice 60mm Mortar (Solid Shot-Figure 4) and posed no explosive hazard. The approximate original location of the item was recorded by the UXOSO, Joel Morrell (Figure 5).

- 5. Technical Discussion: Having been fired, the M69 60mm Mortar posed no explosive threat and was declared MDAS.
- 6. Conclusion/Recommendations: The item was processed as MDAS at the site's MDAS station.

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If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, ZAPATA

By: Michael Winningham Project Manager





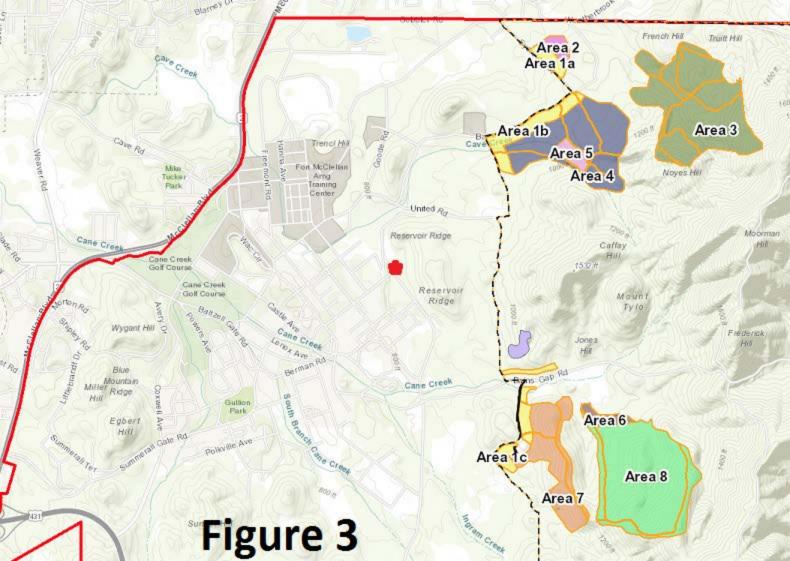
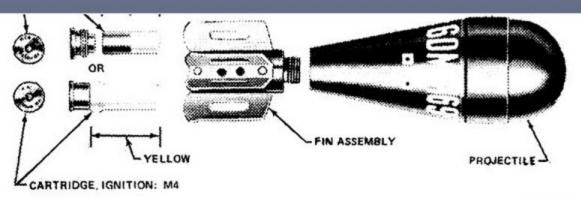


Figure 4 M69 60mm Mortar

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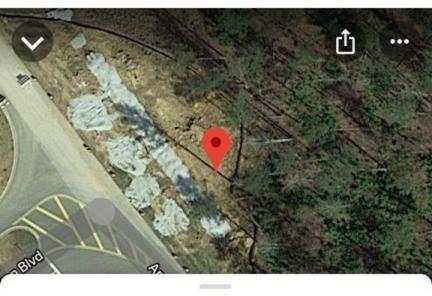
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Description

This cartridge is used for training in the loading and firing of 60mm mortars M2 and M19.



Unlike other mortar ammunition, the components of this round are issued separately. This facilitates replacement of damaged, worn, or expended parts. The complete round consists of an inert projectile, a fin assembly, an ignition cartridge, and a percussion primer. The pear-shaped, cast iron projectile has no provision for a fuze and is internally threaded at the base to accept the fin assembly.



Dropped pin

Near Calhoun County, AL











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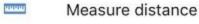










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