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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Representatives of the Maryland Search Group, by their signatures below, petition the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference (ASRC) to consider accepting the Maryland Search Group as an associate member organization for a trial period of two years.

The Maryland Search Group provides training to Explorer programs in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) based on established training protocols in Explorer Search and Rescue [see Tab A] and procedures which are based on methods and procedures for Explorer Search and Rescue programs used in the Western Regional Area of the Boy Scouts of America and distributed by the National Association on Search and Rescue. The Maryland Search Group is the unincorporated name of the Explorer search and rescue activity of Explorer Post 616 in Columbia, Maryland.

The first trainee section in the Maryland Search Group is nearing completion of its initial training program. This section represents members from two Explorer units. Explorer trainees successfully completing the training program will, in our opinion, be able to serve as team members in ASRC field operations with our supervision and monitoring. A second training section is being planned for calendar 1986.

Explorers and adult leaders from other Explorer units in training with the Maryland Search Group dual register with Post 616 to: (1) facilitate the completion of appropriate notification permits to BSA for field training and callouts; and (2) bring other Explorer unit members and other adults under Post 616 logistical and management controls and supervision. [Dual registration between BSA units is an accepted practice in the Boy Scouts of America.]

The question of liability is a pressing issue for all volunteers and volunteer organizations. In Exploring, it is emphasized that in a search and rescue operation, BSA registered Explorers and their leaders, 21 years of age or older, are covered under existing BSA liability insurance. The attached letter [see Tab B] is for your information and review. Explorers

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and Explorer leaders also have a health insurance policy rider in addition to their regular personal health insurance. Information on health status, insurance and related information including necessary permission to provide anesthetic and surgical protocols for Explorers and Explorer leaders is always carried by leaders in the Group.

Responding to a common question regarding use of Explorers in emergency type situations; the response is relatively simple:

- Explorers do not go into the field - for any activity - without adult leadership which is appropriately registered with the Boy Scouts of America, Inc.
- In a standard BSA operating mode, there is no opportunity for an uncontrolled liability to present between Explorers and others. While hypothetical situations may be envisioned which would place Explorers in significant danger, these uncontrolled situations do not develop if appropriate BSA policies are followed.
- The practices of Explorer Post 616 and the Maryland Search Group follow BSA policy.

It is our feeling that Explorers will be an asset to the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference.

Thank you for considering our petition.

Attachments
As stated

Respectfully submitted:

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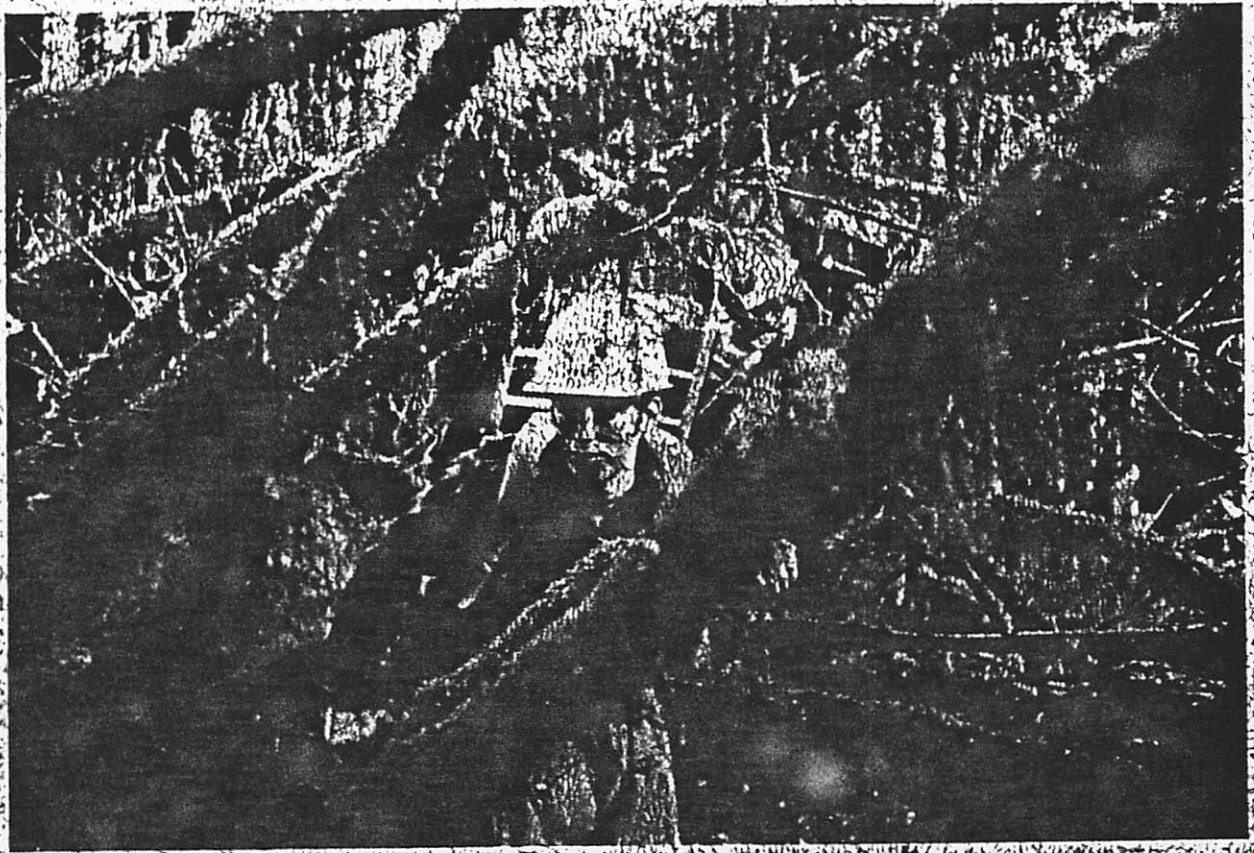
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A most sincere thanks is due to the thousands of ESAR members who, over the last 20 years, have worked hard to accumulate the experience reported herein. It is the efforts of these young people that has made ESAR the viable, effective, and satisfying program that it now is. JW

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1. The following information is being furnished to you for your information only. It is not to be used for any other purpose.

1. The first step in the process of identifying a problem is to define the problem clearly and concisely. This involves identifying the specific issue that needs to be addressed and determining the scope of the problem. Once the problem is defined, the next step is to gather information about the problem and its causes. This can be done through research, interviews, and observation. The third step is to analyze the information gathered and identify the root causes of the problem. This involves looking for patterns and trends in the data and determining the underlying factors that are contributing to the problem. The fourth step is to develop a plan of action to address the problem. This involves identifying the specific steps that need to be taken to solve the problem and determining the resources that will be needed to implement the plan. The final step is to implement the plan and monitor the progress of the solution. This involves tracking the results of the plan and making adjustments as needed to ensure that the problem is solved.

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TEAM MEMBER AND TEAM LEADER TRAINING MANUAL



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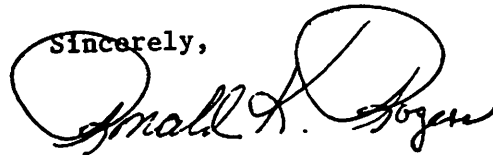
As per our discussion concerning liability coverage for Explorer Search and Rescue programs, I would like to quote the following from the current Scout Executive's manual:

Comprehensive General Liability . . .
Provides protection for the council, chartered Scout units, their sponsoring institution, and volunteer Scouters, whether or not registered, for all official Scouting activities . . .

Search and Rescue is a recognized Explorer activity and is therefore included.

I hope this information helps you.

Sincerely,



Ronald K. Rogers
Director of Field Services

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One of the Advisors listed above will act as Post Dispatcher or will direct the caller to Peter McCabe or Gary Schlueter who also handles Post dispatch. The Post Dispatcher in most cases will also act as Response Coordinator for the Post.

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