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To Roland H. Cobb, Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game
Re: Use of Gill Nets, etc., in connection with Training Schedule,
Limestone Air Force Base.

You ask whether you may grant special permission to personnel of the 42d Bombardment Wing (H) to use gill nets, snare small game, and obtain fish and other types of wild life for food during closed seasons, contrary to our statutes.

Neither the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game nor this office can amend, alter or repeal statutes of the State of Maine, and there is no authority in any agency, department or official of the State Government (except the Legislature) that can, in contravention of our present statutes, permit the proposed use of gill nets, snares, etc., or the hunting of wild life during closed seasons.

The question propounded is answered in the negative.

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Attorney General

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