

Old Bomb Disposed of Near Chignik

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Staff Sgt. Lucas Stephens and Spc. Vincent Wallace of the 716th Explosive Ordinance Disposal Company, 2nd Engineer Brigade, take measurements of the unexploded ordinance in attempt to identify its type an origin near Chignik, Alaska, July 1, 2013. EOD teams use specific tools and procedures to ensure that all unexploded ordinance is handled as safely as possible to prevent premature detonations. U.S. Coast Guard photo by Petty Officer 3rd Class Jonathan Klingenberg

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An unexploded military bomb found on the beach near Chignik was disposed of by specialists from Fort Wainwright in Fairbanks on Monday. Staff Sargent Lucas Stephens and Specialist. Vincent Wallace of the 716th Explosive Ordinance Disposal Company were transported to the remote beach by an Air Station Kodiak MH-60 Jayhawk. It was discovered by a beachcomber in Mitrofanina Bay who reported it to the state troopers.

The team examined the bomb and determined it was possibly a smoke bomb. After blowing it up with C-4 explosives, fragments were collected for further analysis.