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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Algodones 3 (12VPr2-205)

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

[REDACTED]

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN Barrio Puerto Diablo, Vieques VICINITY OF

STATE Puerto Rico

CODE 72

COUNTY Humacao

CODE 1030

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	N/A - IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 AGENCY

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (if applicable)

Headquarters, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (Department of the Navy)

STREET & NUMBER

Norfolk Naval Station

CITY, TOWN

Norfolk

VICINITY OF

STATE

Virginia 23511

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Registro de Propiedades & LANTDIV COMNAVFORCARIB

STREET & NUMBER

PO Box 3037

CITY, TOWN

Humacao, Puerto Rico Roosevelt Roads, Ceiba, Puerto Rico

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Records of the Archaeological Survey of Vieques

DATE

19 October 1984

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Naval Facilities Engineering Command
Atlantic Division: Puerto Rico Branch

CITY, TOWN

PO Box 3037, Roosevelt Roads, Ceiba, Puerto Rico 00635

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE <u>Oct. 84</u>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

In May of 1982, in the course of an archaeological reconnaissance of the Vieques Naval Reservation, conducted by Ecology and Environment, Inc., Linda S. Robinson noted aboriginal ceramics, shell, and stone scattered about the ground surface



In July of 1982, on behalf of the U.S. Navy, Michael A. Cinquino, of Ecology and Environment, Inc., and a small team of investigators, returned to the site of the original find, to sample, and provide preliminary information for the site. At this time the ground surface was closely inspected in the site's vicinity and a single test pit 30 X 30 cm in size, was dug. These investigations indicated an extensive surface scatter of prehistoric refuse and intact subsurface midden deposits. Consequently, it was recommended that further testing be undertaken at the site to determine specifically the nature of the prehistoric deposits encountered.

In October of 1983, Cinquino, in collaboration with Carmine A. Tronolone of Ecology and Environment, Inc., headed a small group of investigators to conduct a more thorough study of the deposits at Algodones 3. The site was mapped, its surface was systematically sampled, and ten additional test pits were dug for the purpose of ascertaining the extent, both horizontal and vertical, of the deposits at the site. The ten excavations, ranged in size from 30 X 30 cm to 50 X 50 cm, and in places encountered intact midden deposits to a depth of 15 cm where bedrock was encountered. The testing served to suggest that the average depth of the deposits is between 5 and 15 cm, covering an area of about 2,200m², and that the hilltop area had not been subjected to much past disturbance.

The investigations resulted in the discovery of numerous artifacts, many of which, exhibited diagnostic traits, as well as numerous items of ecofactual remains. All of the pottery found is of the Elenoid style and can be dated to Cultural Periods 4E and 4F (c. 900-1300 AD). Non-ceramic artifacts recovered from the site include the following items: 5 petaloid celt fragments, 2 reused; 3 probable flakes, small and large; 4 fire-cracked rocks or unmodified pebbles and cobbles; 2 or 3 Strombus shell celts or chisels; 1 Strombus shell punch; 1 Strombus shell pick; 6 unmodified or heavily weathered Strombus shell fragments; and 1 unidentified bone tool, possibly an awl.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Algodones 3 site is one of only a few sizeable aboriginal sites to be found with [REDACTED]. Deposits at the site were found to maintain a great deal of their original integrity, and are undisturbed except for the minor effects of erosion in places. They have produced numerous aboriginal artifacts and ecofacts representative of several hundred years of occupation, by a single cultural tradition, and as such are of substantial scientific interest to the study of the prehistory of the region. Consequently, the archaeologists who have investigated the deposits at Algodones 3, believe it should be listed in the National Register.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Cinquino, Michael A., Carmine A. Tronolone, Charles E. Vandrei, and Gary S. Vescelius, Cultural Resource Reconnaissance Survey for the Vieques Naval Reservation, Prepared by Ecology and Environment, Inc., Buffalo, New York, 1984.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY [REDACTED]

UTM REFERENCES

A [REDACTED]
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
C [REDACTED]

B [REDACTED]
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
D [REDACTED]

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

[REDACTED]

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael A. Cinquino and Carmine A. Tronolone (Senior Archaeologists)

ORGANIZATION

Ecology and Environment, Inc.

DATE

19 October 1984

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Buffalo

STATE

New York 14225

12 CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

YES

NO

NONE

Arch. Mariano G. Coronas Castro

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Historic Preservation Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The evaluated level of significance is National State Local.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

TITLE See Attached signed letter (8 July 1991)

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST: Janet E. Townsend

DATE 8-21-91

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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A moderate amount of celt fragments is present at the site, though none seem to have been used principally as celts. The two most complete examples were later used as hammering and pounding or picking tools. A fairly low incidence of flakes is present, except those produced by use; no hammerstones are represented. Shell tools of conch lips including celts, chisels, a punch, and a pick are more common than stone tools at this site. This is of interest, [REDACTED] An other stain present on one rock is probably one of the stones that has a thin band of other seams, which are exposed when they fracture. These apparently are of local origin and therefore the stone may not be an artifact. Some fire-cracked rock and unmodified pebbles were found, all of which are probably of local stone. In summary, the most significant features of the site is the predominance of celts reused for pounding at the exclusion of celts used for other purposes, as well as the abundance of shell tools and possible tool blanks [REDACTED].

The shell refuse at the site consists mainly of burgao (*Cittarium pica*) shells, which tend to be associated with Elenoid components on Vieques. Also present in large numbers, are the clam shell *Codakia orbicularis* and *Lucina pensylvania*. Other mollusk species represented in the collections are listed on a form summarizing cultural materials by provenience which is included with this nomination form. This array of species indicates that a number of different littoral environments were exploited by the aboriginal inhabitants of Algodones 3. These include shell gleaming [REDACTED] depth. The three habitats are not represented in the immediate vicinity of the site, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Although we know the aboriginal inhabitants of the site were practicing agriculture, exploitable soils of good agricultural potential are located at some distance from the site.