

HONOLULU HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT
SURVEYED PROPERTY CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR NATIONAL REGISTER

TMK: 99001008

Historic Status: **Evaluated Eligible**

Portion of Alignment: **Airport Portion**

Resource Name/Historic Name: **Ossipoff's Aloha Chapel, SMART Clinic, and Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society - Fac. 1514**

Sector: **36 Pearl Harbor Naval Base
Station Sector**

Location: **Kamehameha Highway & Radford Drive**

Owner: **U. S. Navy**

Station Block: **Pearl Harbor Naval Base Station**

Date-Original: **1975**

Source: **Navy database**

Present Use/Historic Use: **Military**

Architectural Description:

The floor plan of Facility 1514 consists of three roughly rectangular single-story sections, two of which include courtyards. These sections have flat roofs except the northernmost portion of the roofs, for two of the sections, incorporate a row of twelve parallel barrel vaults. The six northernmost vaults cover the Aloha Jewish Chapel and have large openings over its adjoining courtyard. There are six-pointed stars in the courtyard wall and in one of the barrel vault ends. The other six vaults were originally designed to provide natural lighting to the central library space (now the SMART clinic). The flat-roofed southern section houses the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. The clinic and the Society share the second courtyard, and their entrances are located there. The exterior walls of the building are split concrete brick; the vaults and upper walls are concrete.

Integrity:

Despite the change in function of the original library space, the building appears to be generally unaltered and has high integrity.

Significance:

Although this building is less than 50 years old, it meets National Register Criteria Consideration G for exceptional importance. This building is an exceptional example of the work of a master architect, Vladimir Ossipoff (1907-1998), who was the subject of a recent exhibition and publication of the Honolulu Academy of Arts. Also, the building is believed to be the first chapel built on a military base specifically as a Jewish place of worship. This building is a landmark at Makalapa Gate.

