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Dear Matt,

Just returned from Viet Nam. Professor Tung sends his best regards as does Professor Bui Thi Lang.

In Hanoi I learned of the depth of the epidemiological survey which Tung refers to in his latest paper. Quite impressive.

The last half of my trip was spent in Ho Chi Minh City where I made three field trips to sprayed areas: Tay Ninh, Cu Chi, and the Rung Sat. Took photographs and did some informal interviewing of area residents.

Professor Lang asked if I would bring back some samples and give them to you for dioxin testing. I had not planned on collecting samples but I said, "Sure, why not?" So I brought back a bag containing (1) clams, (2) mud worms, (3) dead tree wood, and (4) mud. All samples are from the middle of the Rung Sat area. (I have the coordinates.) The mud samples are taken both from the surface and from a depth of one meter.

If you would like to have these samples I would be happy to send them to you. (Lang thinks the clams and worms will remain alive for several weeks in an open plastic bag which is where they now sit.) If you are too busy maybe you know someone who would like to work with them, or, whatever.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Best regards,

  
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