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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4336
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USMISSION GENEVA PRIORITY

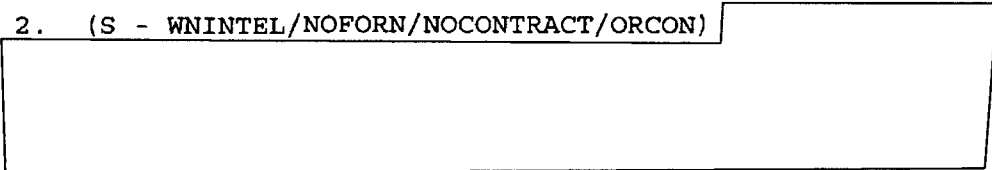
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EO 12065: XDS-2-02/28/00 (LEVIN, BURTON) OR-M
TAGS: SREF, SHUM, CB, VM
SUBJ: REPORTED USE OF CHEMICAL WARFARE BY VIETNAMESE
IN KAMPUCHEA

REF: BANGKOK 8736 (NOTAL)

1. (C) ICRC BANGKOK REP INFORMED EMBASSY FEB 28 THAT
GENEVA INSTRUCTED HIM TO FORWARD ALL POISON GAS RE-
PORTS AND ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE TO GENEVA FOR EVALUA-
TION AND ANALYSIS. HE SAID THAT ICRC GENEVA SPECIFI-
CALLY ADVISED THAT IT WOULD USE INDEPENDENT LABORA-
TORIES FOR ANALYSIS AND DID NOT WISH TO INVOLVE THE
JOINT US-THAI AFRIMS LAB HERE. OVERALL, IMPORT OF
ICRC POSITION IS THAT IT WOULD WELCOME INFORMATION WE
MAY WISH TO PROVIDE, BUT WILL HANDLE POISON GAS MATTERS
WITHIN ITS OWN CHANNELS.

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3. (C) EMBASSY HAS NO NEW SPECIFICS RELATED TO RE-

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CENT SPATE OF GAS REPORTS, BUT CONTINUES TO FOLLOW UP AND WILL REPORT AS APPROPRIATE.

4. (C) COMMENT: DEPARTMENT MAY WISH, THROUGH US MISSION GENEVA, TO FOLLOW UP WITH ICRC HEADQUARTERS TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION ON THEIR FINDINGS OR PROCEDURES. ICRC THAILAND IS OBVIOUSLY CONSTRAINED BY ITS HEADQUARTERS GUIDANCE FROM ESTABLISHING COORDINATION RELATIONSHIP HERE, ALTHOUGH WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRACK DEVELOPMENTS AS BEST WE CAN ON INFORMAL BASIS IN BANGKOK AND THE FIELD. LEVIN

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