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EO 12065: GDS 06/16/87 (LEVIN, BURTON) DR-M
TAGS: MMEL, SHUM, WJLJ, PAPP, PBUR, CB, VM
SUBJ: ALLEGED VIETNAMESE USE OF TOXIC CHEMICAL
-- ORDNANCE IN NONG CHAN AREA

REFS: 2. BANGKOK 26866
1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. WE HAVE CONDUCTED ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS REGARDING
REPORTS OF VIETNAMESE USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AGAINST
NON-COMMUNIST KHMER RESISTANCE FORCES NEAR NONG CHAN
REFUGEE CAMP ON JUNE 6 (REF A).

OBSERVED FOUR KPNIF (KHMER RESISTANCE) SOLDIERS
BROUGHT INTO NONG CHAN CAMP HOSPITAL JUNE 6 WHO
COMPLAINED OF HAVING BEEN INJURED BY AN AIR BURST
OF BLUE-COLORED "GAS." DESCRIBED THE
PATIENTS AS FOLLOWS: ALL FOUR PATIENTS SUFFERED
FROM IRRITATION OF THE RESPIRATORY TRACT, HAD
VOMITED AND WERE DIZZY. NONE OF THE PATIENTS
WAS TEARING. ONE LOST CONSCIOUSNESS BRIEFLY AT
THE HOSPITAL. NONE OF THE PATIENTS WAS MEDICATED
AND ALL RECOVERED WITHIN A FEW HOURS AND RETURNED
TO THE KPNIF CAMP. ONE ADDITIONAL VICTIM WAS
NOT SICK ENOUGH TO BE BROUGHT TO THE HOSPITAL.

3. [] SAID THAT HE HAD NEVER BEFORE EN-
COUNTERED THIS COMBINATION OF SYMPTOMS. NEITHER
HE NOR ANOTHER FRENCH DOCTOR ON DUTY (WHO PROVIDED

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A SIMILAR ACCOUNT OF THE PATIENTS' CONDITIONS) PREPARED AND MEDICAL RECORDS ON THE PATIENTS NOR DID THEY TAKE ANY MEDICAL SAMPLES. (WE STRESSED TO MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT THE NONG CHAN CAMP THE VALUE OF DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE.)

4. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION OR GAIN ACCESS TO THE SITE WHERE THREE 82 MM CHEMICAL MORTAR ROUNDS ALLEGEDLY (REF A) IMPACTED IN THE CHEA CHUT (KPNLF) CAMP NEAR NONG CHAN, JUN 6. COMMENT: GIVEN ABSENCE OF INFORMATION AND APPARENT HEAVY RAINS AT THE TIME, WE NOW ARE INCLINED TO DISMISS THIS PARTICULAR REPORT.
LEVIN

END OF MESSAGE

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