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E.O. 12065: GDS 03/10/88 (DEAN, JOHN GUNTHER) OR-M
TAGS: PARM, PEPR, PORG, SHUM, CB, VM, TH, UR
SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL BLOOD SAMPLES FROM ALLEGED KHMER
CBW VICTIMS AND CONTROLS AND POSSIBLE CBW SAMPLE
POUCHED TO WASHINGTON

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2. DIPLOMATIC POUCH INVOICE NO. A115 K4-952 ARRIVING
ON PAN AM 1/67 AT WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT,
1613, MARCH 11 CONTAINS 18 TUBES OF BLOOD DRAWN FROM
FIVE KHMER WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO CBW ON
FEBRUARY 13 (REFTEL) AND FROM FOUR KHMER WHO WERE NOT
EXPOSED BUT WHO PROVIDED BLOOD AS CONTROLS. THE
BLOOD WILL BE KEPT IN THE AIRCRAFT CHILLER DURING THE
FLIGHT. THE FIVE KHMER CLAIMING CBW EXPOSURE WERE
PART OF THE SAME GROUP FROM WHOM BLOOD WAS
DRAWN (REFTEL). WE DO NOT EXPECT TO DRAW ANY ADDITIONAL
BLOOD FROM THIS GROUP.

3. BLOOD WAS DRAWN BY [REDACTED] IN THE HONG
PRU AREA. [REDACTED] ASSISTED AS IN MARCH 4 DRAWING.
AUSTRALIAN TV ACCOMPANIED TOWNSEND AND ERBOFF TO
BORDER AREA BUT DID NOT FILM BLOOD DRAWING.

4. THE FOLLOWING BRIEF MEDICAL HISTORIES WERE COMPLETED
ON THE ALLEGEDLY EXPOSED PATIENTS AND ON THE CONTROLS
(NOTES BEING POUCHED WITH BLOOD SAMPLES ARE KEYS TO
NUMBER DESIGNATION ON TUBES OF BLOOD). SYMPTOMS
DESCRIBED ARE IN ORDER OF OCCURRENCE IMMEDIATELY AFTER
ATTACK UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

--NO. 7: [REDACTED]: AGE 22, MALE, DATE OF EXPOSURE
13/2/82 AT TUOL CHREY. [REDACTED] NOTED THE FOLLOWING
SYMPTOMS: BURNING EYES AND NOSE; DRY THROAT; POOR
HEARING; SWOLLEN ABDOMEN; NAUSEA; LOSS OF APETITE.
CURRENT SYMPTOMS ARE PAINFUL AND DEEP BREATHING AND
A WEAK-FATIGUED FEELING. HE HAD MID-DAY FEVER, AS
RESULT OF MALARIA, PATIENT HAD HAD NO MEDICATION
IN THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE BLOOD DRAWING. AFTER ATTACK
PATIENT RECEIVED FOLLOWING MEDICATION: IV, NIKETHAMIDE,
ATROPINE, PENICILLIN, AND QUININE.

--NO. 8: [REDACTED]: AGE 22, MALE, DATE OF EXPOSURE

ACTION (U.P. 6, 7, 8)
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13/2/82 AT TUOL CHREY. [REDACTED] SAID HE NOTED
THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS: SHORTNESS OF BREATH,
DISCHARGE FROM THE NOSE WITH BLOOD; COLLAPSE ON THE
GROUND; PAINFUL AND BURNING EYES; BURNING NOSE; SWOLLEN
ABDOMEN; NAUSEA, PAINFUL DEEP BREATHING AND LOSS
OF APETITE. AFTER ATTACK PATIENT RECEIVED FOLLOWING
MEDICATION: IV, NIKETHAMIDE, ATROPINE AND PENICILLIN
ABDOMEN APPEARS STILL SWOLLEN. [REDACTED] CLAIMS
THAT THIS IS HIS THIRD EXPOSURE TO CBW.

--NO. 9: [REDACTED]: AGE 77, MALE, DATE OF EXPOSURE
13/2/82 AT TUOL CHREY. [REDACTED] SAID HE NOTED THE
FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS: BURNING, TEARING EYES;
DRY THROAT, NAUSEA; SHORTNESS OF BREATH AND A BURNING
SENSATION IN THE CHEST. PATIENT ALSO COMPLAINED OF
A BURNING SENSATION IN THE ABDOMEN WHICH WAS SWOLLEN,
AND A BURNING NOSE SHORTLY AFTER THE INCIDENT.
HE SAID HE NOW FELT WEAK AND HAD A LIGHT HEADACHE.
FOLLOWING THE ATTACK PATIENT RECEIVED IV, NIKETHAMIDE,
ATROPINE AND PENICILLIN.

--NO. 10: [REDACTED]: AGE 23, MALE, DATE OF EXPOSURE
13/2/82 AT TUOL CHREY. [REDACTED] SAID HE NOTED THE
FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS: TEARING, BURNING EYES; BURNING
NOSE; DRY THROAT (HE WAS THIRSTY); A SWOLLEN ABDOMEN;
DIARRHEA; SHORTNESS OF BREATH; PAIN IN THE CHEST,
HEADACHE AND DOUBLE VISION. THE PATIENT NOW COMPLAINS
OF ENTERITIS, HEADACHE AND ABDOMINAL PAINS. HE TAKES
COMBATRIN DAILY.

--NO. 11: [REDACTED]: AGE 22, MALE, DATE OF EXPOSURE
13/2/82 AT TUOL CHREY. [REDACTED] SAID HE NOTED THE
FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS: BURNING EYES AND NOSE; DOUBLE
VISION, DRY THROAT; SWOLLEN ABDOMEN; SHORTNESS OF
BREATH, CHEST PAINS, DIARRHEA AND NAUSEA. HE NOW
COMPLAINS OF HEADACHES AND FEELING TIRED.

--NO. C-1: [REDACTED] (CONTROL): AGE 43, MALE, CONTROL
VOLUNTEER HAD FALCIPARIN MALARIA IN FEBRUARY FOR WHICH
HE WAS TREATED WITH QUININE AND TETRACYCLINE. ON
MARCH 8, NO. C-1 WAS GIVEN AN ANTI-BIOTIC (UNK)
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Arrived Flight
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1745 Hrs
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FOR TREATMENT OF "RED URINE."

-- NO. C-2: [REDACTED] AGE 27, MALE. CONTROL VOLUNTEER
HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY MEDICATION RECENTLY. HE HAS NO
SIGNIFICANT HEALTH PROBLEM.

-- NO. C-3: [REDACTED] AGE 26, MALE. CONTROL VOLUNTEER
RECEIVED QUININE ON MARCH 6. HE HAS HAD NO SIGNIFICANT
HEALTH PROBLEM.

-- NO. C-4: [REDACTED] AGE 24, MALE. CONTROL VOLUNTEER
RECEIVED QUININE ON MARCH 8. HE HAS HAD NO SIGNIFICANT
HEALTH PROBLEM.

5. WE ARE ALSO POUCHING BOTTLE CONTAINING A SMALL
AMOUNT OF WHITE SUBSTANCE. THE SUBSTANCE WAS PROVIDED
BY THE THAI COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES RESEARCH
INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (AFRIMS) WHICH RECEIVED
IT FROM THE NAVAL MEDICAL DEPARTMENT. THE SUBSTANCE
IS DESCRIBED AS "POISONOUS WHEN PUT INTO THE WATER RESULTING
IN THE DEATH OF FISH." THE THAI, IN A LETTER TO THE
DIRECTOR OF THE AFRIMS U.S. COMPONENT ASKED FOR
"COORDINATION IN IDENTIFICATION (OF) THE SUSPICIOUS
SUBSTANCE..." (THAI LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL ACCOMPANIES
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