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SUBJECT: HMONG PROVIDE ALLEGED CBW RESIDUE SAMPLES

1. RESPONDING TO A MESSAGE FROM HMONG CHIEF AT [REDACTED] TEMBOFF WENT TO THE CAMP APRIL 29, AND RECEIVED CBW RESIDUE SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM THREE SEPARATE ATTACKS, MARCH 17, 18, AND 30 IN THE NA KHOUANG AREA (102 DEGREES 04' EAST, 18 DEGREES 40' NORTH). INCLUDED WITH SAMPLES ARE TWO AIR MONITORING BADGES (OF THE TYPE CONTAINED IN CBW COLLECTION KITS). THE BADGES WERE SAID TO HAVE BEEN OPENED AND PLACED IN THE NA KHOUANG AREA IN JANUARY AND RETRIEVED IN MARCH AFTER THE CBW ATTACKS. WW WILL POUCH THE SAMPLES AND BADGES TO WASHINGTON (DETAILS FOLLOW SEPTEL).
2. NEITHER SOURCE WITNESSED THE ATTACK NOR SAW ANY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE THREE ATTACKS. SOURCE INTERVIEWED
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INDIVIDUALS WHO BROUGHT THE SAMPLES TO HIS LOCATION,

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APPROXIMATELY 24 DAYS AFTER THE MARCH 30 INCIDENT, SOURCE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BASED ON HIS INTERVIEWS: NA KHOUANG, LOCATED ABOUT 8 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF BAN DON COMPRISES A CLUSTER OF APPROXIMATELY FIVE VILLAGES, SOME POPULATED BY HMONG AND OTHERS BY LAO. THE AREA IS GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED. THE ATTACKS APPEARED TO TARGET VILLAGE CROP LANDS. MANY WERE ALLEGEDLY INJURED IN THE ATTACKS BECAUSE PEOPLE WERE WORKING IN THE FIELDS AT THE TIME OF THE ATTACKS. IN ALL, 10 PERSONS DIED IN THE THREE ATTACKS, ALL LAO. SYMPTOMS INCLUDED DIZZINESS, VOMITING (NO BLOOD), DIARRHEA (WITH BLOOD), AND HEADACHES. VILLAGERS REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE ATTACKS WERE DELIVERED BY A SINGLE JET PLANE, BUT GAVE NO DETAILS ON THE EFFECT OF THE ALLEGED AGENT ON CROPS OR OTHER PLANTS.

3. SOURCE SAID HE PLACED SAMPLES, WHICH VILLAGERS GAVE TO HIM ALREADY WRAPPED, INTO A MYLAR BAG, WHICH HAS NOT SINCE BEEN OPENED. DEAN

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