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SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE DOSSIER ON US CHEMICAL WARFARE AND
ITS CONSEQUENCES

REF: USUN 1927

1. VIETNAM HAS RECENTLY CIRCULATED (AS DOCUMENT A/37/377) PART TWO OF ITS "DOSSIER ON US CHEMICAL WARFARE AND ITS CONSEQUENCES." PART ONE OF THIS "DOSSIER" WAS CIRCULATED BY VIETNAM AS A UN DOCUMENT EARLIER THIS SUMMER AND WAS REPORTED IN REPTEL.

2. THE BULK OF DOCUMENT A/37/377 CONSISTS OF ALLEGED "FIGURES ON THE CRIMES OF US' CHEMICAL WARFARE IN SOUTH VIET NAM" DURING THE VIET NAM WAR. THE DOCUMENT ALSO REJECTS WHAT IT TERMS AS US AND CHINESE "FABRICATIONS" ABOUT "VIET NAM'S USE OF TOXIC CHEMICALS IN LAOS AND KAMPUCHEA. IN LATTER CONTEXT THE DOCUMENT CLAIMS THE US "HAS DELIBERATELY CONCEALED THE WAR CRIMES AGAINST THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE IN FEBRUARY 1979 BY CHINESE TROOPS INCLUDING THE USE OF TOXIC GAS IN SOME POPULATED AREAS AND THE POISONING OF DRINKING WATER SOURCES IN THE AREAS

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