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APPROVED BY PH:ARAPHEL
PH/TMP:OGRABEL

PA:HYODEM
EA/T:HEMERSON
EA/YLK:TBREEZE
MEA/PAB:POVKLEY
INR/PMA:JPETERSON (INFO)
S/S-O:RADAVIS
IO/UMP:EDILLERY
EUR/SOY:SHAMM
EUR/RPM:TOCHILTREE
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DEPRESSED WHITE CELL COUNT OF 4,200. THE BLOOD SAMPLES WERE HANDLED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ABOVE, AND ANALYSIS
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WAS PERFORMED AT THE SAME PRIVATE U.S. LABORATORY USING IDENTICAL GC-MS TECHNIQUES.

ALSO ON 24-26 MARCH 1982 AT THE NONG KHAI CAMP, BLOOD SAMPLES WERE DRAWN FROM FOUR H'MONG WHO HAD BEEN EXPOSED TO ATTACKS ON 15 FEBRUARY 1982 IN LAOS. THE SURVIYORS REPORTED THAT TWO ATTACKS WERE DIRECTED AGAINST SEVERAL VILLAGES WITH A COLLECTIVE DEATH COUNT ESTIMATED TO BE

BETWEEN 85-100 PEOPLE. MOST OF THE VILLAGER'S CHICKENS AND HALF OF THEIR PIGS ALSO DIED. RICE, TAPIOCA, AND OTHER CRUPS WERE AFFECTED AS WELL. SYMPTOMS REPORTED BY THE VICTIMS INCLUDED: FEVER, HEADACHE, NAUSEA, VOMITING, DIARRHEA, DOUBLE VISION, COUGHING, CHEST PAIN, EYE IRRITATION AND TEARING, HEARING DIFFICULTY, FATIGUE, AND JAUNDICE.

BLOOD SAMPLES FROM THESE VICTIMS WERE HANDLED AND ANALYZED AS WITH THE OTHERS, FOR THE PRESENCE OF T2 AND HT2 TRICHOHECENE TOXINS. THE BLOOD OF ONE OF THE VICTIMS SHOWED THE PRESENCE OF 28 PPB T2 AND 16 PPB HT2 TOXIN. THIS INDIVIDUAL, A 35-YEAR OLD MALE, HAD ALSO BEEN EXPOSED TO A PREVIOUS TOXIC AGENT ATTACK IN MID-DECEMBER 1981.

BLOOD WAS DRAWN AT THE SAME TIME FROM THREE CONTROL INDIVIDUALS IN THE CAMP WHO HAD NOT BEEN SUBJECTED TO A TOXIC AGENT ATTACK. THESE CONTROL SAMPLES WERE ANALYZED FOR T2 AND HT2 TRICHOHECENE TOXINS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

ON MARCH 20, 1983, AT KHAO DIN REFUGEE CAMP IN THAILAND, NEAR THE KAMPUCHEAN BORDER, THREE YOUNG KAMPUCHEAN WOMEN AGED 18, 19 AND 25, COMPLAINING OF EFFECTS OF A TOXIC AGENT, WERE EXAMINED BY PHYSICIANS. THE THREE VICTIMS COMPLAINED OF SYMPTOMS TYPICAL OF PAST TRICHOHECENE TOXIN

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