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5. (C) SYMPTOMOLOGY:

A. NONE REPORTED ABOUT SAMPLE PER SE. SYMPTOMS OF PERSONS REPORTED BY SOURCE WHO HAVE EATEN FISH OR DRUNK THE WATER FROM THE POISONED STREAMS ARE AS FOLLOWS: HEADACHES, STOMACH CRAMPS, VOMITING WITH PRESENCE OF BLOOD, FEVER, ITCHING AND SORES ON THE SKIN. IF THE FISH OR WATER IS INGESTED FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD, SEVERE NOSE BLEEDS WILL DEVELOP. ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, APPROXIMATELY 300 PERSONS HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE POISON. THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE BECOME ILL HAVE BEEN TREATED WITH LARGE QUANTITIES OF SUGAR AND VITAMIN C. THE SOURCE STATED THAT PERSONS HAD DIED FROM THE POISON, BUT COULD NOT NAME A FIGURE.

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7. (C) OTHER DETAILS: DELAY IN PICKING UP THE SPECIMEN AFTER THE JOINT CBW INVESTIGATIVE TEAM'S NOTIFICATION ON 13 FEB 84 WAS DUE TO THE FALLING THROUGH OF TWO PRIOR TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS.

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