

13 August 1981

Reference Division  
Albert F. Simpson Historical Research Center  
Maxwell AFB, AL 36112

Sirs:

If possible, I would like to know the availability status and current security classification of the following documents. These documents are all referenced in the footnotes of:

US Department of the Air Force. Pacific Air Forces.  
"Herbicide Operations in Southeast Asia, July 1961-June 1967," by Charles V. Collins. Project CHECO Report No. DTEC-67-0020. NTIS Document AD-779 796.

Since I expect to make another research trip to Maxwell this fall, it would help me if you could provide the AFSHRC reference number for any of these documents in your possession.

"Herbicide Operations in the Republic of Vietnam, undated." (fn. 2)  
"TAC Aerial Spray Flight Operations in Southeast Asia, 1961-1964, undated." (fn. 3)  
"Report, Evaluation of Crop Destruction in RVN, 1 July 1966." (fn. 32)  
"Report, Defoliation Operations in Laos, 1 January 1966." (fn. 68)  
"Final Report of the Operational Evaluation of Project Pink Rose, 5 May 1967." (fn. 102)  
"MACCOC Directive Number 525-1, Herbicide Operations, 15 February 1966." (fn. 117)  
"Minutes of Southeast Asia Herbicide Meeting, 5, 6, 7 April 1967." (fn. 138)

Thank you very much for your time and trouble.

Sincerely,



Paul F. Cecil

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21 August 1981

United States Army  
Military History Institute  
Carlisle Barracks, PA 17013

Sirs:

Request that you initiate review of the below listed study for security declassification in accordance with current directives. The purpose of this declassification request is to allow me to obtain the loan of a copy of this study through the University Interlibrary Loan program as part of my study of the history of herbicide operations in Southeast Asia. I presently have a USAF authorization for access to classified historical documents, but would find it inconvenient to travel to Carlisle Barracks, or to Maxwell AFB, which also has a copy of the study.

I should like to call your attention to the fact that similar studies on this subject, written in the same time period, have been declassified by both the Air University and the Naval Postgraduate School. I understand that the below listed study contains comparable material, the release of which would not compromise national security.

Bass, Simpson H., Jr.

"Chemical Herbicides—A New Dimension in Chemical Operations."  
Carlisle Barracks, PA: Army War College, Study, 13 February 1969.

Thank you for your cooperation and your trouble.

Respectfully,

  
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SUBJECT: Request for Material

Date

Your Letter of 13 August 1981

26 Augsut 1981

TO: Paul F. Cecil Texas A & M University Department of History College Station, TX 77843		FROM: HQ Albert F. Simpson Historical Research Center Reference Division Maxwell AFB, AL 36112
1. Material requested <input type="checkbox"/> will have to be compiled. <input type="checkbox"/> is being forwarded under separate cover. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached. <input type="checkbox"/> will be distributed automatically. <input type="checkbox"/> will be sent as soon as possible.		
2. Material requested cannot be provided because it <input type="checkbox"/> cannot be loaned. <input type="checkbox"/> cannot be reproduced. <input type="checkbox"/> is not available. <input type="checkbox"/> is in single copy. <input type="checkbox"/> is classified.		
3. Material requested is available on 16 mm microfilm, roll number (s). Although the Research Center maintains rigid microfilm processing quality controls, readability of offered microfilm cannot be guaranteed. While most is highly readable, some is not because of the poor quality of the original document and inherent limitations in all copying processes, as well as some reading equipment.		
4. Material requested may be purchased for \$ <input type="checkbox"/> Make check or money order for exact amount stated and payable to AFO, Maxwell AFB, AL 36112, and send it to AFSHRC.		
5. Because of backlog of work, a delay of <input type="checkbox"/> is anticipated in providing the material.		
6. A large backlog of official requests makes it impossible to provide the material requested.		
7. Forwarded to you for appropriate action and direct reply to the requestor, who (has) (has not) been notified of this referral.		
8. Suggest you write to the addresses checked on the attached list.		
9. Suggest you submit your request to:		
10. Information concerning unit emblems may be requested from AFMPC (MPCASA) Randolph AFB, TX 78148. See AFR 900-3 for emblem procedure and for flags, guidons, and streamers.		
11. For availability of photography submit request to: <input type="checkbox"/> 1361 AVS, ATTN: Photo Depository Section, 1221 S. Fern St., Arlington, VA 22202. <input type="checkbox"/> Audiovisual Archives Div., National Archives, Washington, DC 20408.		
12. Your request requires more research time than we can give to unofficial requests.		
13. Suggest you visit our Center at Maxwell AFB to do your research. See attached brochure.		
14. Before coming to Maxwell AFB for research, contact AFOPA-MB, 1221 South Fern St., Arlington, Va. 22202 to obtain proper authorization for access to our documentation collection.		
15. Please refer to: <input type="checkbox"/> Maurer (ed), Air Force Combat Units of World War II (Washington: USGPO, 1963; New York: Arno Press, 1979). <input type="checkbox"/> Maurer (ed), Combat Squadrons of the Air Force, World War II (Washington: USGPO, 1969). Out of Print. <input type="checkbox"/> Craven and Cate (eds), The Army Air Forces in World War II (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 7 vols., 1948-1958). Also available from Arno Press, 3 Park Ave., New York. <input type="checkbox"/> Futrell, The United States Air Force in Korea (New York: Duell, Sloan and Pearce, 1961). Out of Print. <input type="checkbox"/> Miller, An Aerospace Bibliography (Washington: USGPO, 1978). Available from Superintendent of Documents, USGPO, Washington, DC, (Stock Number 008-070-00427-5). <input type="checkbox"/> Berger (ed), The US Air Force in Southeast Asia, 1961-1973 (Washington: USGPO, 1977). Available from Superintendent of Documents, USGPO, Washington, DC, (Stock Number 008-070-00364-3). <input type="checkbox"/> Mueller and Carter, The Army Air Forces in World War II: Combat Chronology, 1941-1945 (Washington: USGPO, 1975). Available from Superintendent of Documents, USGPO, Washington, DC (Stock Number 0870-00334). <input type="checkbox"/> Item 16 for list of references on your subject. <input type="checkbox"/> Your local library for these or other published materials.		

## 16. Comments:

All but two of the documents listed in your letter are contained in volume 3 of supporting documents to the study "Herbicide Ops in SEA, Jul 61-Jun 67." The card catalog does not indicate that we have the documents referenced in fn. 32 and fn. 138.

We wish to advise you that (unless you have renewed it) your clearance expires 29 October 1981.

Typed Name and Title

JUDY G. ENDICOTT, Chief of Circulation

Signature

