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Dear Dr. Cecil:

Thank you so much for your email in response to my earlier fax on Viet Nam.

I would welcome any comments you would like to make on our program and would be most appreciative of any suggestions you would have. I am very interested in the 25-year study you comment on being undertaken by the Armstrong Laboratory. We met with the Stellmans in New York last year in

hopes of becoming involved in the Institute of Medicine program on the study and modeling of herbicide exposure. Our approach was to bring into

the modeling process a validation protocol using in country (in Viet Nam that is) data to corroborate model exposure values. We thought by having

some in country data on dioxins in soils, etc., it would at least give some

indication of the reliability of the model. We had the support of Admiral

Zurwalt who we also met in Washington. However, the way things developed,

the in country work in Viet Nam was not deemed of a sufficient level of benefit that it be included in the overall proposal to the IOM. We have obtained additional funding through the Canadian government to carry on some additional work which funded the second sampling series of human blood

and other food products from the Aluoi Valley and Ma Da region. Specifically regarding photographs, we were wondering whether you had any

photographs showing the pattern flying of the C-123 spray aircraft. We understand that up to twelve, or possibly even a greater number of aircraft

flew on a single sortie in a pattern format.

Thank you again for your response and I look forward to hearing from you again.

Yours sincerely,

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