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March 21, 1980

Major Alvin L. Young, Ph.D.
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Dear Major Young:

This is the rough draft of the Herbicide Orange questionnaire compiled by our staff with input from Mr. Ronald DeYoung and Mr. Michael Skyer. Please review this and let us have your comments at your earliest convenience. We also intend to go in greater detail at our next content meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'F. A. Zacharewicz'.

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Enclosure

HERBICIDE ORANGE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Dates of Military Service from: to:
 Month: Year: Month: Year:

2. Dates of Service in Vietnam: from: to:
 Month: Year: Month: Year:

3. Dates of other foreign or overseas service: from: to:
 Month: Year: Month: Year:

4 Branch of Service: (Circle appropriate letter)

- a. Army
- b. Navy
- c. Air Force
- d. Marines
- e. Coast Guard
- f. Others: Specify _____

5. Unit served in Vietnam: (Columns II and III are to be used for multiple assignments)

	COLUMN I	COLUMN II	COLUMN III
a. Division	_____	_____	_____
b. Brigade	_____	_____	_____
c. Regiment	_____	_____	_____
d. Battalion	_____	_____	_____
e. Company	_____	_____	_____
f. Others: Specify: _____	_____	_____	_____

6. Names of base camps while stationed in Vietnam:

Approximate duration of stay

from: to:
 MO: _____ YR: _____ MO: _____ YR: _____
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7. Field operations while in Vietnam: (List code names Veteran can remember such as Dewey, Canyon, Sherwood Forest, IA-Drang)

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

8. Identify other oversea operations involving contact with toxic chemicals

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

9. Which military corp in Vietnam did veteran serve? (Circle applicable letters)

- a. I Corp
- b. II Corp
- c. III Corp
- d. IV Corp
- e. Unknown

10. Does veteran recall military operations in defoliated areas?

Yes _____
No _____

11. Was Veteran attached to: (Circle applicable letters)

- a. Air Force Operation Ranch Hand _
- b. Armor
- c. Aviation
- d. Transportation
- e. Infantry
- f. Engineers
- g. Artillery
- h. Chemical Corp
- i. Others: Specify _____

12. Identify Landmarks, firebases or towns near defoliation: (such as Black Virgin Mountain, LZ English, Rock Pile and Firebase Moore)

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

Identify defoliated areas Veteran recalls on or near base camp: (Such as Clean Field of Fire, Dead defoliated areas)

- a. _____
- b. _____

14. What was the Veteran's military occupation code number: (MOS)

Primary Code _____ Secondary Code _____

If Code is unknown give duties or job title. _____

Was Veteran's actual duties different from those identified above.

YES _____ NO _____

If YES is checked please specify _____

15. Did Veteran handle or use chemical weapons while in Vietnam or elsewhere?

YES _____ NO _____

If YES is checked please identify types of chemical

a. Gases:

CS _____
CN _____
BZ _____

b. Irritants _____

c. Insecticides _____

d. Herbicides _____

e. Unknown _____

Identify method of contact with chemicals

a. Bulk chemicals _____

b. Spray operations _____

c. Operations in recent contaminated areas _____

16. Does veteran recall any exposure to toxic chemicals?

YES: _____ NO: _____

If YES is checked please identify types of chemical

a. Gases:

CS _____
CN _____
BZ _____

b. Irritants _____

c. Insecticides _____

d. Herbicides _____

e. Unknown _____

17. Identify methods of exposure to chemicals

- a. Direct contact with bulk chemicals
- b. Direct contact with spray chemicals.
- c. Contact with recently sprayed plants.
- d. Contaminated foods
- e. Contaminated water
- f. Digging in contaminated soil.

18. A. Identify the type of spraying operations used in Vietnam

- a. Fixed wing aircraft
- b. Helicopters
- c. Truck mounted sprayers
- d. Hand held spraying equipment
- e. Others: Specify _____

B. If fixed wing aircraft was used, was it

- a. Silver in color
- b. Camouflouge painted
- c. Unknown (does not remember)

C. Identify approximate time of day of fixed wing spraying operation

- a. Early morning
- b. Mid-day
- c. Late afternoon
- d. After dark

19. Identify Veteran's frequency of exposure (Total number of days exposed, such as guard duties every third night on perimeter and duration of stay in defoliated areas)

- a. One to ten days
- b. Eleven to twenty days
- c. Twenty-one to thirty days
- d. Thirty-one to forty days
- e. Forty-one or more days
- f. Unknown

20. Does veteran describe exposure as

- a. Severe
- b. Moderate
- c. Mild
- d. Uncertain

21. Did Veteran eat locally grown fruits or crops

YES _____ NO _____

If YES is checked please circle applicable letters

- a. Mangos, papayas, bananas, plantain
- b. Sweet potatoes
- c. Rice

22. Did Veteran locally obtained meats or fish

YES _____ NO _____

If YES is checked identify type of

- a. Meats _____
- b. Fish _____
- c. Shell fish _____
- d. Wild game _____

23 How often did Veteran eat foods obtained locally

- a. Frequently
- b. Occasionally
- c. Not at all

24. Does Veteran recall the sources of his drinking water

a. Base camp

- 1. River _____
- 2. Stream _____
- 3. Unknown source _____

b. Field

- 1. Rivers _____
- 2. Stream _____
- 3. Paddies _____
- 4. Lakes _____
- 5. Ponds _____
- 6. Shelled craters _____
- 7. Collected rain water _____
- 8. Others: Specify _____

25. Did the veteran experience

	Before going to Vietnam	While in Vietnam	Within two years after return from Vietnam	More than two years after return from Vietnam
a. Skin rash Blisters,boil or running sore hives, others	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
b. Frequent headaches	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
c. Stomach ulcers	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
e. Severe diarrhea	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
f. Jaundice	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
g. Nervous system Psychological problems	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>

(see VA Form 10-20681 for additional symptoms)

26. Did the veteran seek medical care while in Vietnam

YES _____ NO _____

If YES was check identify medical personnel

- a. Corpsmen/aid station
- b. nurse/physician at field hospital
- c. Others: Specify _____

27. Identify "reasons" for seeking medical care

- a. wounds
- b. other injuries
- c. illness

28. Provide (complete) the following:

Approx. dates of tr:	Symptoms of illness:	Where treated: (such as 24th Evac. Hos., 1st Infantry, Divi- sion Hospital, Battlion aid Station)	Was Treatment effective:
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_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

29 Identify the type of anti-malarial medication the veteran received

- a. Big orange pill/Chlorogainc/Primaquine
- b. Big pink pill/Chloroquine
- c. Little white pill/Dapsone
- d. Others/unknown

30. Did Veteran take other prescribed drugs while in Vietnam?

YES _____ NO _____

If YES was checked list name of medications

31. Identify other substances such as non-tobacco cigarettes or other non-prescribed drugs. (This is an attempt to identify illegal or controlled substances used by veterans while in Vietnam)

32. Identify alcohol usage (Responses are optional)

	Before going to Vietnam	While in Vietnam	After leaving Vietnam
a. Heavy	_____	_____	_____
b. Moderate	_____	_____	_____
c. Light	_____	_____	_____
d. None	_____	_____	_____

33. Does the veteran recall ever working in an occupation where chemicals were used?

Before going to Vietnam	While in Vietnam	After leaving Vietnam	Type of chemical if known
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

34. Does Veteran recall being exposed to chemicals around the house and/or farm? (Circle appropriate letters)

- a. Lawn weed killers
- b. Pesticides
- c. Insecticides
- d. Agriculture chemicals

35. Identify Veterans's use (Circle appropriate letter)

- a. Heavy
- b. Moderate
- c. Light
- d. None
- e. Ex-smoker