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INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE
BOARD ON THE HEALTH OF SELECT POPULATIONS

**THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE HEALTH EFFECTS IN VIETNAM VETERANS OF EXPOSURE TO
HERBICIDES (NINTH BIENNIAL UPDATE)**

June 28, 2012
NAS Building, Room 125
2100 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20418

Open Session

- 1:00 p.m. Welcome; goals and conduct of the public meeting; introduction of committee members
Mary Walker, Committee Chair
- 1:05 p.m. Charge to the Committee
Wendi Dick, MD, US Department of Veterans Affairs
- 1:35 p.m. **Similar health conditions of era veterans with Agent Orange exposure on Guam**
LeRoy Foster
Ralph Stanton
- 1:55 p.m. AO exposure at Fort McClellan, Alabama
Helena Van Clief, Army Staff Sergeant
- 2:05 p.m. *Placido Salazar*
- 2:15 p.m. Vietnam–era veterans exposed outside of Vietnam
Carlo Albanese
- 2:25 p.m. Herbicide use in Thailand
Ken Witkin, President, Airborne Battlefield Command Control Center Association
- 2:35 p.m. *William G. Jeff Davis*, Founder and Senior Legislative Advocate
The Veterans Association of Sailors of the Vietnam War, Inc.
- 2:45 p.m. *D. Karen Reyes*, Co-Founder
Agent Orange Legacy, Children of American Vietnam Veterans
- 2:55 p.m. *Rick Weidman*, Executive Director for Policy and Government Affairs, Vietnam Veterans of America
- Other veteran speaker(s), if time requested
- 3:30 p.m. Close Public Session

Additional written statements received from:

<i>David A. Aswad</i>	Bladder cancer
<i>Thomas Jefferson Barr, Jr.</i>	Delayed peripheral neuropathy & restless leg syndrome
<i>Gary J. Chenett</i>	On behalf of the Order of the Silver Rose, recognize health problems in veterans exposed to AO outside Vietnam; personally, diagnosed with four cancers
<i>Michael Eckstein</i>	Willis-Ekbom disease / Periodic Limb Movement Disorder
<i>Charles W. Griesler</i>	Migraines daily from 1967 & other neurological problems
<i>Debbie J. Gunn</i>	Husband lost nose to squamous cell carcinoma
<i>Geraldine Hall-Bast</i>	First VV husband died at 48 of cardiac disease; their daughter has asthma & other respiratory problems; second VV husband had PTSD (violent), hepatitis, & died of cancer; third VV husband peripheral numbness due to Parkinson's & PTSD
<i>Michael P. Hartmaier</i>	All chemicals in herbicides used in Vietnam should be covered, not just AO
<i>Damiana Hortas-Dowdy</i>	Basic training at Ft. McClellan; now, "negative rheumatoid arthritis / fibromyalgia
<i>Floyd McKinney</i>	Exposed to AO at Fort Sill, OK; diabetes type II & prostate cancer
<i>Larry Sauger</i>	Myelodysplastic syndrome; benzene in petroleum products used to thin AO
<i>Jim Wallace</i>	Exposed to AO at several military locations in Stateside; he & son have AO-related conditions
<i>Wane Wolcott</i>	Anterior ischemic optic neuropathy, numb toes, high blood pressure, borderline diabetes, autoimmune disorder related to connective tissue; lives overseas so not getting VA medical care