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## **Agent Orange This Killer Must be Stopped Now!**

We must do everything in our power to make the USA DVA recognize that our veterans are still paying a high price for fighting the WAR in VIETNAM. AGENT ORANGE is slowly taking the lives of these brave veterans. The USA DVA does recognize some diseases but the rules that are laid out to enable the veterans to become service connected because of it are ridiculous. As with the case of ACUTE and SUB ACUTE PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY. The DVA only recognized this disorder as being caused by exposure to AGENT ORANGE in APRIL of 1995. To be service connected for this disorder you must have filed with the DVA within ONE YEAR of exposure or within ONE YEAR of discharge from the military. If you have this disorder how could you have possibly have filed for something within that time frame if the DVA didn't even recognize the disorder until APRIL of 1995? THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG HERE!!

The DVA is making our brave men and women fight another war. But this is a war that we WILL WIN. We MUST not and WILL not give up. THE DVA is just waiting until all the veterans who fought in VIETNAM are gone, then and only then will they admit that AGENT ORANGE was the cause of so many illnesses. Why is this do you ask? I'll tell you why, the only reason is MONEY! They are afraid of having to deal with the families of all these veterans. It's not just the Vietnam veterans who are paying this high price. The DVA is doing the same to our Persian Gulf Veterans. We must put a stop to this national tragedy. We must get the DVA to recognize and treat our veterans for the illnesses connected to this poison.

## Agent Orange Facts:

Agent Orange was a herbicide developed for military use. Chemically, the product was a 50/50 mix of two herbicides, 2,4,-D (2,4, dichlorophenoxyacetic acid) and 2,4,5-T (2,4,5 trichlorophenoxyacetic acid). Developed as weed killers in the 1940's, and were effective against broad leaf plants and several crops.

AO was deployed in enemy areas to deny cover and concealment to the enemy. In dense terrain particularly, the use of herbicides to destroy covering vegetation was to protect American and allied troops from ambush.

Agent Orange, use tests were carried out at Fort Detrick, Maryland, Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, and Camp Drum in New York as well as Thailand in the early 1960's.

The name AO = the orange identifying bands that were used on the 55 gallon drums. Other herbicides by color coded names too, such Agent White, Agent Blue, Agent Purple, Agent Pink and Agent Green were also used.

PURPLE: A formulation of 2,4,-D and 2,4,5,-T used between 1962 and 1964.

GREEN: Contained 2,4,5-T and was used 1962-1964.

PINK: Contained 2,4,5-T and was used 1962-1964.

ORANGE: A formulation of 2,4,-D and 2,4,5-T used between 1965 and 1970.

WHITE: A formulation of Picloram and 2,4,-D.

BLUE: Contained cacodylic acid.

ORANGE II: A formulation of 2,4,-D and 2,4,5-T used in 1968 and 1969 (also sometimes referred to as "Super Orange")

DINOXOL: A formulation of 2,4,-D and 2,4,,5-T. Small quantities were tested in Vietnam between 1962 and 1964.

TRINOXOL: Contained 2,4,5-T. Small quantities tested in Vietnam 1962-1964.

BROMACIL DIQUAT: TANDEX: MONURON: DIURON: DALAPON:

Small quantities of all of the above were tested in Vietnam, 1962-1964.

And....there were the "home brews" of ao .... undocumented.

Heavily sprayed areas included inland forests near the dmz; inland forests near the borders of Cambodia, Laos, South Vietnam; north and northwest of Saigon as well as the southernmost peninsula of Vienam and forests along any major shipping channels southeast of Saigon. Missions were aimed at northern and eastern central areas of South Vietnam.

There is no such thing as an Agent Orange Test.

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