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BRIEF STATEMENT OF INFORMATION REQUESTED AND GIVEN			AT 18		
On December 19, 1983, Judy Shelley, GAO Evaluator-In-Charge, MRD, sent us a memorandum entitled "Scope and Methodology for Reviewing VA's Agent Orange Examination Program." A copy of this memorandum is attached to this Report of Contact.					
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Director, Agent Orange Projects Office - Dr. Barclay Shepard

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GAO Evaluator-In-Charge, HRD - Judy Shelly (3) 1918

SUBJECT:

Scope and Methodology for Reviewing VA's Agent Orange

Examination Program

For the next several months GAO will be gathering preliminary information on various aspects of VA's agent orange examination program. We will concentrate our efforts on the following issues:

- (1) Reliability, usefulness, and currency of the old and new registries, including statistics published by Dr. Al Young.
- (2) Treatment provided to veterans alleging exposure to agent orange, as provided by P.L. 97-72 (not quality of treatment).
- (3) Timeliness of examinations.
- (4) Counseling provided to veterans.
- (5) Submission of tissue samples to the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.

This work will be conducted at VA's Central Office and the Washington, D.C. Medical Center. We will determine what information is maintained and what methodology could be used to perform more detailed audit work. We will review medical record files at the Washington, D.C. Medical Center to help us make this determination.

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