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**Description Notes** Routing slip is to inform Capt. Young of a study on military benefits of southeast Asia herbicide program. Attachment is a message announcing the study and requesting superiors to encourage their personnel to respond to any questionnaires they may receive.

ROUTING AND TRANSMITTAL SLIP		ACTION
1 TO (Name, office symbol or location)  DFTSL (Capt Alvin Young)	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
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	DATE	SIGNATURE
<b>REMARKS</b>  I thought you might find this of interest. You probably are already involved in the study. If part of the purpose of the study is to check the effects of Herbicides on people, crew member's medical records should be checked; also, maintenance personnel because they breathed the fumes, washed their hands in it, etc. The effect on Vietnamese loaders, many who had 3 - 4 years exposure could be checked. I am just recovering from an acute back sprain that someone should be able to blame on herbicides!!		
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FROM (Name, office symbol or location)  WILLIAM C. KNOTHE, Lt Col, USAF Chief, Armament Applications Office	DATE 10 Sep 71	PHONE 882-2229

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SUBJ: HERBICIDE SURVEY

CSAF/AO LIA JCOM 301901Z AUG 71 MESSAGE IS RETRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND NECESSARY ACTION. REQUEST DISSEMINATION TO ALL CONCERNED. QUOTE:

THE DOD HAS DIRECTED AN IN-DEPTH STUDY TO DETERMINE THE MILITARY BENEFITS OF THE SEASIA HERBICIDE PROGRAM. THE U.S. ARMY'S ENGINEER STRATEGIC STUDIES GROUP (ESSG), WITH AIR FORCE PARTICIPATION, IS CONDUCTING THE STUDY. PART OF THE STUDY EFFORT WILL INVOLVE A SURVEY OF PERSONNEL FROM ALL SERVICES WHO CAME IN CONTACT WITH THE HERBICIDE PROGRAM. ACCORDINGLY, YOU CAN EXPECT THAT CERTAIN FORMER SEASIA CREWMEMBERS WITHIN YOUR COMMAND WILL RECEIVE QUESTIONNAIRES CONCERNING THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH SEASIA HERBICIDE OPERATIONS. THESE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO RESPOND TO THE QUESTIONNAIRES IN AS OBJECTIVE AND COMPLETE A MANNER AS IS POSSIBLE. THE SURVEYS WILL, IN PART, FORM THE

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MOST COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE HERBICIDE PROGRAM EVER UNDERTAKEN. THIS STUDY WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE SECDEF FOR USE IN FUTURE DELIBERATIONS INVOLVING THE MILITARY USE OF HERBICIDES.

UNQUOTE.

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Suggest Sub Dist be made by DNDAP to know potential recipients of the questionnaire.

to LTC (DNDAP) 9 Sep 71 (dist)