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The Honorable R. James Nicholson
Secretary of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420

Dear Secretary Nicholson:

I am responding to your letter of 17 April 2006 requesting information on all veterans who were exposed to psycho-chemicals or endured testing protocols during formerly clandestine CIA programs such as MKULTRA, MKSEARCH, Project OFTEN, and Project CHICKWIT.

Neither MKULTRA nor MKSEARCH funded projects that involved the use of military volunteers or subjects. In addition, Project CHICKWIT involved the acquisition of information about drugs as well as drug samples but did not fund human testing programs.

Project OFTEN involved a joint testing program with Edgewood Arsenal Research Laboratories and CIA at Edgewood Arsenal between approximately 1967 and 1973. This program may have involved testing on volunteer military personnel but CIA maintained no records that would identify these volunteers.

I trust that this information will be useful for your response to the American Legion's request. I look forward to working with you on other matters that may impact upon our veterans.

Sincerely,

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