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**SUBJECT:** Collection of Samples of Chemical Agents Employed in Yemen by the UAR (S)

**TO:** Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence  
Department of the Army  
Washington, D. C. 20310

1. (U) Reference ACSI-DFISE letter, dated 23 June 1967, subject as above.
2. (SNFD) The Defense Intelligence Agency concurs in the urgency and importance of collecting samples of BW/CW agents and BW/CW munitions and related intelligence data. These items are listed in the Foreign Materiel Requirements Listing (FMRL) under numbers 00721, 00724 and 00725. The specific requirement identified by number 00725 in the FMRL is the Soviet agent VR-55 discussed in the above reference. A priority of 1A has been assigned to the collection of this item and BW/CW munitions.
3. (SNFD) None of these items are included on the lists of foreign materiel reported as captured by Israeli forces. This, however, does not rule out the possibility that they may turn up in subsequent inventories in which case DIA has taken action to place these items high on the Precedence Listing for exploitation through the Middle East Exploitation Project (MEXPO).
4. (SNFD) In addition to the actions outlined in paragraphs 2 and 3 above, DIA is originating a Specific Intelligence Collection Request (SICR) for these items for levy upon CIA, USCINCEUR, USDAO Saudi Arabia, AFNIN for the 1127th Field Activities Group, ACSI/DA for the US Army Field Support Group, and the Plans and Policy Liaison Office, Saudi Arabia. DIA will also investigate additional ways and means to effect collection of these important items.

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