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Army Still Unable to Find 225 Who Got LSD in Experiments

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 12 (AP) —More than a year after the hunt began, the Army says it still is trying to locate 225 former military personnel who were given LSD in tests dating back at least nine years.

The purpose of the search is to determine whether the test subjects, who did not know they were receiving the mind-altering drug, have suffered any negative after effects from the Army experiments, which were conducted from 1955 to 1967.

A total of 516 subjects have been found, but officials say that the trails of many have been hard to follow because of the lapse of time since they left the service.

Meanwhile, Army doctors said that they had finally developed psychological and medical tests for gauging possible long-term damage to those who were given LSD.

"We had lots of information on short-term effects of LSD, but there is no body of experience on long-term effects," one doctor said.

Among other things, the Army will try to study some

other persons of roughly the same age and military background as the LSD experiment subjects to differentiate between typical health problems resulting from passage of years and those problems stemming from the use of LSD.

Forty-two former subjects in the LSD experiments have completed preliminary medical checks at Walter Reed Army Medical Center here. Army doctors said that the results of these examinations were being analyzed and that no conclusions had yet been reached on whether any of them had suffered lingering effects from the LSD.

An additional 219 have agreed to undergo examinations and 143 others either are undecided or have not yet replied to Army offers. Nineteen others have died since leaving the service.

Only 35 of the LSD test subjects have refused to be examined for possible aftereffects, the Army said. The Air Force has taken over the task of examining 58 of its former personnel who were involved in the Army experiments.