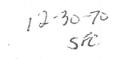
Effect on Genetics Claimed



Hanoi's Charge on U.S. Defoliants

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North Vietnam said yesterday that defoliants dumped by United States aircraft in South Vietnam have caused millions of people to suffer the same fate as victims of the Hiro- mosmic alterations in the lo- the millions, are condemned ture." shima and Nagasaki cal populatin."

Hanoi's Vietnam News Agency said in a broadcast dispatch that medical studies have revealed the defoliants "provide important cro-

been many miscarriages, congenital an o m a lies and frequet monostrosities," it said.

"The victims of toxic chemicals sprayed by the Americans, numbering by to the same fate as the sur-

Nagasaki atomic tragedy."

It added that the defoliants' effects on genetics constitute "an aggression not only against the present day life of the Vietnamese people, but also against their fu-

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