INVITATION TO THE JULY 2ND MEETING OF
THE AGENT ORANGE WORKING GROUP

WHEN: 14:00 - 16:30 hrs, Friday, 2 July, 2010
WHERE: Meeting Hall of the RMIT Hanoi, Handi Resco Building, 521 Kim Ma St, HN
Facilitated by NGO RC and AOWG Chair - VN Veterans of America Foundation (VVAF)
By June 30th RSVP to Ms Ha Phan of NGO RC at haphan@ngocentre.org.vn

TENTATIVE AGENDA

13:40 – 14:00 Pre-meeting mix and mingle for early birds
14:00 – 14:10 Very brief introduction of participants and participating organizations
14:10 – 14:40 Introduction of the Declaration and Action Plan of 10 Years of the US-VN Dialogue Group on AO by a Dialogue Group member (presentation of 15’, followed by 15’ of Q & A)
14:40 – 15:10: Presentation by Prof Dang Thi Cam Ha of the Institute of Biotechnology (IBT) on detoxification of herbicide/dioxin-contaminated soil using microbial diversity and their expression (30’ including Q&A). Please note that Prof Ha is the principal investigator of the bioremediation pilot in the Da Nang Airport – a joint program by US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology (VAST)
15:10 – 15:30: Tea Break, Mix and Mingle
15:30-15:45: Introduction of Da Nang Coordination Group (consisting of NGOs working on disability in Da Nang), by UNICEF who serves as co-chair of the group
15:45 – 16:30: Discussion of operational issues of the AOWG
  • Five-minute presentation of key findings of the recent rapid survey among AWOG members, conducted by Debra Kraus and Vern Weizel
  • Review the current terms of reference: 10’
  • Elect AOWG core group (incl new chair, and two vice chairs): 10’
  • Suggest AOWG meeting schedule for July – December, 2010: 10’
  • Other business as necessary: 10’
16:30: Closing by Marko Lovrekovic, NGO RC Director – 3’

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