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526 what is scientifically reported in this area. We are giving
527 this now to the Veterans Administration. We have offered
528 the service of one of our extremely competent physicians to
529 help in their evaluation of the problem. We certainly want
530 to get to the bottom of it, there is no question.

531 There is a lot of ongoing study in this area not within
532 the Department of Defense right now, although we have
533 collected the names of all Ranchhands--these are the people
534 who were involved with the spraying operation--we have 499
535 names now we finally collected--very difficult to do this
536 many years later. We have also contacted the president of
537 the Ranchhands Reunion group, and we will be getting to them
538 a questionnaire in an attempt to locate all of the people
539 and to try to survey what happened to those people who we
540 clearly know were involved with handling these materials.

541 These would be the people involved. *As for the* people who were on the
542 ground--it is extremely remote that any of them would have
543 ever gotten in contact with the material.