

Sri Lankan Government Uses Chemical Weapons in Vanni Warfront War Without Witness Report

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Initial results of Independent investigations conducted by "War Without Witness" confirms that Sri Lankan Government uses Chemical Weapons in Vanni (Northern Part of Sri Lanka) war front both on civilians and its enemy combatants. Two victims were examined by a qualified independent doctor in Vanni 'Safe Zone' on 05th April and the initial results have been peer-reviewed by an experienced doctor in United Kingdom. Since the Government of Sri Lanka has banned access for all the Independent monitors, Humanitarian Workers including UN and the media, the combat zone is being isolated from the out side world, War Without Witness regrets that a comprehensive forensic/chemical analysis report could not be produced at this point of time.

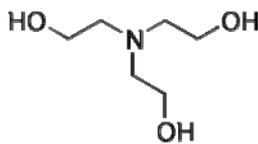
War Without Witness urgently urge silent partners of Sri Lankan Government's war on innocent Tamil civilians including United States of America, India, United Kingdom, China, Japan, Norway, Australia and United Nations to immediately dispatch independent observers to the war zone and ensure the safety of civilians by way of an immediate ceasefire and independent inquiry into this war crime.

War Without Witness urgently urge independent organisations like Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), US Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, UKs Department for Business, Enterprise & Regulatory Reform (BERR) and all 186 OPCW Member States to immediately dispatch independent observers to the war zone and ensure the safety of civilians by way of an immediate ceasefire and independent inquiry into this war crime.

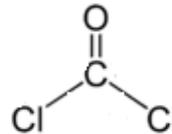
Extracts of Medical/Chemical Report

Chemical Substances found on the wounds are,

1) Triethanolamine ($C_6H_{15}NO_3$)



2) Phosgene (CCl_2O)



Interview with those victims' leads to the conclusion that these are type of Mustard Gas attack delivered via high explosive rocket launchers and aerial bombing. Some of the observations among the victims are 'high vomiting', 'mustard-coloured blisters', 'closed throats', 'breathing difficulty' and 'extreme pain'.

Photographic Evidence of sample wounds



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