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Subject: Alzheimer's disease, Environmental Doctors, Gulf War veterans 1990 / 1991, Pre- Post Bombing Campaigns plumes, Khamisiyah, Pesticides, Chemical Exposures, MRI's / F-MRI's and Spec-Scans, Pre-Post 1990/1991 benefits.  
Re: Gulf War Illnesses or CMI, In-Country Veterans, Non-Deployed Veterans and Families.

Dear Committee Members,

My Comments from the Public comment period that I could not respond to,

1). I would like to know how many Bio-markers are there for gulf war illnesses or CMI and how are they going to do the bio-markers? Also the Cost factors for each item. The gulf Veterans are thinking to appropriate at least \$100 Billion Dollars for both Research and Clinical studies for GWI or CMI.

2). The gulf war veterans would like to know the top 10 death causing illnesses from the theater of operations and the Death Count as of today. The last death count was in 1999 at about 40,000 deaths. In Today's numbers it's doubled.

3). The VA has not yet responded to the gulf war veterans after asking several times at the VA-RAC Meetings for an environmental doctor for issues related to gulf war illnesses or CMI from 2008. No Environmental doctors in the VA system. All Gulf War Veterans and returning Veterans need to be seen by an environmental doctor for consults.

4). The Effective Treatment issued still exist in the VA-RAC. We need treatments today not Twenty – Five ( 25 ) years later.

5). The Date for Gulf War Illnesses or CMI should be **August 2, 1990**. Not February 28, 1991, Not April 11, 1991.

6). **Post 9-11 Benefits changed to Post 1990/ 1991 benefits to present time for undetermined treatments for GWI or CMI. Why are we being denied Treatments today ?**

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