



## **Statement on US Courts ruling**

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## **Outrageous US Supreme Court Ruling**

The US Supreme Court ruling to reject the appeal by both US and Vietnamese Victims, suffering from Agent Orange, flies in the face of justice said the secretary of Britain-Vietnam Friendship Society (BVFS), Len Aldis when he was told the news.

For the nine judges to reject the appeal without giving any reasons is not only an insult to the victims but also clearly shows that their ruling was based on **political reasons** rather than **legal ones.** 

Since the lawsuit that began five years ago in 2004 in the United States, many hundreds of victims have died from the illnesses related to Agent Orange, indeed two of the witnesses that appeared in the US Court to give evidence died soon after they returned home to Vietnam. The Supreme Court's ruling will anger their families, and those of the millions of others affected.

We will not forget those that have died, or those that are still suffering. Nor will we forget of forgive Monsanto, Dow Chemical and the other companies that manufactured Agent Orange. They stand condemned in the higher court of World Opinion.

Despite the supreme courts disgraceful ruling, the struggle will continue until real Justice is won for all the victims.

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