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Weather Modification in Southeast Asia

In the course of the war in Southeast Asia CIA did experiment with rain-making in Southeast Asia, to impede enemy military activity there. It also experimented in a limited fashion -- with dramatic success in one case where a road simply slid into a valley -- with mud-making.

An overseas activity, this is reported in the present context as it does involve a controversial activity, relating to ecological considerations. Further, the issue may become related to a patent infringement suit brought by the Weather Engineering Corporation of America and Canada (WECO-A-C) against the U.S. Air Force and other Government agencies. The suit apparently was stimulated by a series of articles stemming from a column of Jack Anderson's asserting that USAF had engaged in weather modification activities in Laos since 1967. The Agency never did use devices of the kind patented by WECO-A-C.

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