

**Aaron P. Antroinen**

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In 1960 Aaron sold his veterinary practice and joined the US Agency for International Development (AID) as veterinary advisor to third world countries. He established livestock development and disease eradication programs in Ecuador, Uganda, Viet Nam, Mali, Haiti, Iran, and West Africa. While in Ecuador (1960-62), Aaron volunteered his services coordinating and completing the dream of his missionary friend Frank Drown to introduce a viable breed of cattle to the indigenous people of the upper Amazon jungle. Several calves were flown in one by one in a small single engine plane, and the descendants of those calves are still flourishing today. During his time in Uganda (1963-1971) he received the title honorary elder in the Buganda Tribe in recognition of his design and development of a tick eradication spray bath for cattle. His spray bath design became the prototype for spray baths used throughout East Africa. Following his assignment to Vietnam (1971-72) he was awarded the US Medal for Civilian Service in Vietnam.