WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A fragile insect storage, transportation and release device for release of insects, the insects being fragile insects, comprising:

a frame for inserting cartridges,

a plurality of cartridges carrying the fragile insects, each of said plurality being inserted into said frame;

a propulsion unit configured to propel said fragile insects out of successive cartridges, cartridge by cartridge for release;

an opening mechanism for opening each cartridge;

the opening mechanism being coordinated with the propulsion mechanism to open a respective one of said cartridges when said propulsion unit is in operation on said respective cartridge.

2. The device of claim 1, further comprising cooling surfaces extending along the frame for contacting the cartridges to cool the cartridges, and/or further comprising a warming mechanism for warming the fragile insects upon propulsion from a respective cartridge.

3. The device of claim 1, wherein said propulsion unit comprises an air blowing unit for blowing air through respective cartridges, and/or wherein said propulsion unit comprises a vibrator for vibrating the cartridge, and/or wherein said propulsion unit comprises a pressure source, and pressure produced by said pressure source is controlled to provide a defined velocity for insects exiting said aircraft.

4. The device of claim 3, wherein said air blowing unit is configured to blow air at a velocity selected for a predetermined species of insect, said species of insect being a mosquito species and the selected velocity being substantially 3m/s.

5. The device of claim 1, wherein said device comprises an intermediate storage area to warm said insects, the intermediate storage area comprising a series of

horizontally placed storage containers rotating between a fixed input location and a fixed output location.

6. The device of any one of the preceding claims, wherein said device comprises one or more manifolds each respectively including an air pipe and an insect outlet, each manifold being configured to travel along said device over said cartridges to fix said pipe and said outlet over said cartridges one by one.

7. The device of claim 6, wherein the opening mechanism is connected to said manifold to reach each cartridge with said manifold, and/or wherein said opening mechanism comprises shutters placed opposite openings of respective cartridges, said shutters being openable by a manifold sliding between respective cartridges

8. The device of claim 7, wherein respective cartridges have an opening covered by a net and said opening mechanism comprises a cutter to cut said net over said opening, and/or wherein respective cartridges have an opening covered by a closure, said closure being held to said cartridge by breakable elements, and said opening mechanism comprises a cutter to cut said breakable elements over said opening.

9. The device of any one of the preceding claims, wherein said cartridges comprise drainable liquid-holding compartments to hold pupae prior to hatching, and/or wherein said cartridges comprise an input port for connecting to pupa holding compartments, the input port being to allow insects hatching from said pupae to enter a respective cartridge.

10. The device of claim 5, further comprising a receptacle for receiving a predetermined amount of said fragile insects from said containers and wherein said device is configured to carry out an expulsion action upon being filled with said predetermined amount.

11. The device of any one of the preceding claims, further comprising a conveyor moving at a preset rate to collect said fragile insects for expulsion.

12. The device of any one of the preceding claims, comprising

a pupa hatching element;

and wherein said cartridge comprises a storage element; and

an outlet, the outlet being openable to release said insects.

13. The device of claim 12, comprising a controllable port for insects hatching from said pupae to pass into said storage element, and/or a movable plate to move across said storage area to said outlet to expel said insects via said outlet, and/or an air inlet to connect to a source of air pressure of said propulsion unit and an air passage to allow said connected source of air pressure to blow air to propel said insects from said pupa hatching element towards said storage area, and/or wherein said outlet is closed by an openable shutter configured to be opened when connected to an outlet pipe.

14. A method of distributing fragile insects comprising:

storing said fragile insects in an insect storage location in a plurality of cartridges held together in a frame;

attaching a source of air pressure to said insect storage location; and

using said air pressure to carry said fragile insects from successive cartridges at said insect storage location

15. The method of claim 14, further comprising hatching pupae into said insects in proximity to said storage location and blowing said insects into said storage location.