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U.S. INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY ON HIV/AIDS
INTERAGENCY MEETING
JULY 13, 1998

MEETING AGENDA

TO: TODD SUMMERS
FROM: DAVE WAGNER

INTRODUCTION

- Summary of June 24th interagency meeting
- Overview of assessment survey results (includes USAID, CDC, FDA, Commerce, USIA, and State)
 - see attached

DISCUSSION

1. Reports on World AIDS conference

2. What is Strategy's Target Audience

BEYOND POSTS
NGO COMM., INTL ORG, GEN. PUBLIC

3. Strategy Priorities

AID ✓
FDA ✓
CDC ✓
USIA ✓
COMMERCE ✓

General Objectives

Heightened awareness to the issues and:

- Increase affordability/accessibility of treatment in developing countries by enhanced international collaborations/public/private partnerships
- Increase political and economic commitment by foreign leaders
- Foster greater involvement by NGOs and industry in AIDS policy and program formulation
- Encourage efforts of UNAIDS and other international organizations (including women)
- Consider human rights implications of HIV/AIDS
- Enhanced collaboration between federal and international agencies/organizations

Are all of these appropriate? Others to add? Enhanced coordination of donor assistance?

Specific Issues

- Prevention
- AIDS-orphaned children
- Treatment Equity
- Vaccine Research

- Behavioral Research/ Behavioral Change Interventions
- Microbicide development

HIV among refugees and migration as source of HIV transmission? Rational care interventions? HIV transmission through breast feeding? Availability of HIV counseling and testing in developing countries?

4. July 17th Meeting with Industry

- Need to define industry role and scope in development of Strategy
- What do we want from industry?

5. July 24th Meeting with NGOs

- Need to define NGO role and scope in development of Strategy
- What do we want from NGOs?
- Hear from them

• *collaboration*

HIV/AIDS Strategy Assessment Survey Results
as of July 13, 1998

Future Activities/Goals/Objectives Identified by Agencies

- AIDS orphaned children
 - AID
- Enhanced coordination of donor assistance
 - AID
- International collaboration/cooperation for development of AIDS vaccines and for advances treatment therapies
 - AID, CDC
- Accessibility/availability of HIV/AIDS treatment therapies (to developing countries)
 - AID, CDC
- International equity (treatment equity)
 - AID, CDC
- Enhanced collaboration between federal and international agencies/organizations
 - AID

Other Recommended Future Issues

- HIV among refugees and migration as cause of HIV dissemination
- Microbicides
- HIV transmission through breast feeding
- Availability of HIV counseling and testing in developing countries
- Adoption of federal regulations regarding research in other countries which take into consideration national sovereignty of other countries

Problems Faced by Agencies(besides funding)

- FTE ceilings
- Shortage of staff experienced in international work
- Lack of coordination between governments and donors

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July 13, 1998 Interagency Meeting**

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DHHS- Eric Goosby	690-7560	690-5560	
DHHS/CDC- Helene Gayle	404-639-8600	404-639-8000	
✓ DHHS/CDC/NCHSTP- Victor Barnes	404-639-5260	404-639-5204	
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DHHS/NIH- Paul Gaist	301-496-4843	301-402-3555	
DHHS/FDA- Stewart Nightingale	301-443-1309	301-827-6610	
DHHS/FDA- Michelle Limoli	301-443-0235	301-827-0908	
OSTP- Kerri-Ann Jones	456-6028	456-2894	
USIA- Barbara Scarlett	619-5646	619-6818	
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David Baltimore	626-449-9374	626-395-6301	
ONAP- Todd Summers	456-2438	456-2437	
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DOD- Lynn Pahland	703-681-3658	703-681-1703 x5213	
DOC- Mary Ann Mausser	482-5375	482-8120	
DOC- Bill Hurt ✓	482-51252565	482-5125	
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FROM: OES/E/EID- Nancy Carter-Foster

SUBJECT: Interagency Meeting on U.S. International HIV/AIDS Strategy

DATE: July 9, 1998

Please see attached memo announcing July 13, 1998 meeting on updating the U.S. international strategy on HIV/AIDS.



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July 9, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interagency Group on U.S. International HIV/AIDS
Strategy

FROM: OES/E/EID - Nancy  Carter-Poster

SUBJECT: U.S. International Strategy on HIV/AIDS
Meeting

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July 15, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interagency Group on U.S. International HIV/AIDS Strategy

FROM: OES/E/EID - Nancy -Foster

SUBJECT: U.S. International Strategy on HIV/AIDS Meeting with Industries

As discussed at the July 13, 1998 meeting, the meeting with the pharmaceutical and biotech industry is scheduled for July 17, 1998 from 2p.m.-4p.m., in room 4825 at the Department of State. We will also have a labor representative there as well. After the meeting, I would like for the Interagency group to stay an extra half-hour to discuss any feedback from the meeting. Attached for your information is a copy of the agenda and the list of companies that were invited. If you are planning to attend please call Helen J. Arteaga (202) 647-4824 and provide your social security number and date of birth for pre-clearance.

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Note: The Department of State has begun its development planning for the Bureaus Program Plans for International HIV/AIDS and EID issues for FY 2002. I have attached the national interests goals, outcomes, and performance goals and strategies for your review and comment. We would also draw your attention to the section which discusses complimentary USG activities. We have tried to list some of the many activities which might be underway by your agency. Please feel free to amend that section as well, to better reflect what you are doing.

Please provide any comments you have on this document to me by 3 pm. on Thursday, June 1 so that we can provide the final draft to our planning officers for incorporation into the overall OES program plan. Should you have questions, please contact me at (202) 647-2435. Otherwise, please fax any changes and clearances to me at (202) 736-7336.

We appreciate your help in this and your prompt response to this request.



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BUREAU PERFORMANCE PLAN GOAL SHEET

National Interest: Global Issues

Strategic Objective
Protect human health and reduce the spread of infectious diseases.
Outcome Desired
International community is aware of and acting upon the threat of HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases.
Justification
HIV/AIDS is the silent enemy of economic growth, national wellbeing and stability around the globe. The countries of southern Africa face the most urgent situation with HIV infection rates of >20%. Yet India, China, and other Asian nations; Russia and the Former USSR states, and the Caribbean face the same future as Africa if the international community fails to intervene with increased action and funding to intensify the fight in these areas. Increased international awareness should bring greater call for national commitments by political leaders to make HIV/AIDS and EIDs a priority for national and international spending for public health infrastructure to combat the spread of these diseases. Use of all available debt reduction and elimination mechanisms should enable national governments to better utilize available resources for this purpose.
Strategies

- Collaborate with ONAP, NSC, USAID, HHS, DOD, DOL, Treas. and other agency-members of the interagency working group (IWG agencies) on HIV/AIDS to better coordinate USG international activities with those of other developed nations and international institutions.
- Use diplomatic opportunities afforded by multilateral fora, regional agendas, and bilateral summits to influence developed and developing country partners to intensify, expand and coordinate efforts to stem the spread of HIV/AIDS and other EIDs.
- Use bilateral S&T agreements and other fora to improve collaborations in support of increased research for HIV/AIDS vaccine and other therapeutics.
- Use all diplomatic means to influence developing nations to use international calls for debt reduction as a means to seek increased financial commitments to support development and strengthening of public health infrastructure.
- Collaborate with IWG agencies to negotiate, approve and promote international agreements in support of broadened collaborations against emerging infectious diseases (EIDs); including HIV/AIDS.

Performance Goal
Increased international awareness through political statements by national leaders, and public broadcasts on HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases. Increased political and financial commitment by governments and international organizations resulting in increased international actions to stem the spread of infectious diseases, especially HIV/AIDS.
Justification
National leaders in the most affected nations must begin to speak out against the HIV/AIDS pandemic and its effect on economic growth and stability. They must commit their governments to action in support of increasing public awareness, public health infrastructure, and developing/expanding effective programs to fight EIDs through allocation of increased national and international funding for this purpose. Increased understanding of HIV/AIDS and EIDs as U.S. foreign policy issues must also be enhanced among those USG officials serving at posts and those carrying our message through TDY and other interaction with foreign counterparts.
Tactics - Continuing Activities for FY02
<i>[Activities begun prior to FY02 that will be continued through FY02 to achieve the performance goal. List each activity separately. Specify where and with whom the activity will take place.]</i>
1. Under the HIV/AIDS Diplomatic Initiative, continue active DOS leadership and country team involvement with host government officials to heighten public awareness, commitment and action to fight HIV/AIDS and other EIDS in LIFE initiative priority one countries and through enhanced multilateral and regional coordination. Further expand engagements with priority two countries: China, Russia, NIS, Caribbean nations, especially Haiti. Expand USG training programs and other opportunities to enhance DOS and country team knowledge and implementation of responsibilities in this area.
2. Maintain USG leadership in expanding international actions in the fight against HIV/AIDS and other EIDs through work with international financial institutions, G-8 nations, the EU and others to compliment USG efforts to fight HIV/AIDS, especially in non-USG or low USG assistance nations.
Complementary USG Activities (non-DOS)
Implementation of the LIFE initiative by USG technical agencies to address the most severe incidence of HIV/AIDS. USAID/CDC HIV/AIDS and TB programs are underway with Russia and the former Soviet Union nations. DOL is working to expand its relationships with the labor sector to advance the issue of HIV/AIDS in the workplace. NIH is working to expand international collaborations in vaccine and pharmaceutical research, while CDC is working wit USAID and DOS to expand opportunities for epidemiological and laboratory training for developing nation scientists.
Tactics - New Activities for FY02

1. Introduce Leadership Briefings and Associated Public Diplomacy Tools for use in heightening awareness to the magnitude and foreign policy implications of HIV/AIDS, as a EID priority.		
New FY02 EDF:	\$100K	In furtherance of the Secretary's Diplomatic Initiative, DOS proposes to work with the designated Presidential Envoy for AIDS Collaboration (PEAC), ONAP, USAID, CDC, VOA and other technical agencies to brief national government leaders, and international decisionmakers in Africa, Asia, the WHA region, and Europe/S/NIS through the development of public diplomacy tools and a series of regional and national symposia on HIV/AIDS. Costs would include development of appropriate public diplomacy tools for use in stimulating discussion and graphically displaying information on the implications of HIV/AIDS on regional and national economies as well as expenses for a technical team to interact with host government officials and specialists.
New FY02 D&CP:	\$75K	This would cover costs of one additional FTE to assist in the increased workload of implementing the Diplomatic Initiative on HIV/AIDS.
New FY02 FTE:	1	Increased international and national attention to the HIV/AIDS and EID issue has stimulated increased workloads for limited existing staff. New and abundant taskers, talking points and materials to be provided for all headquarter principals traveling to posts and meeting with counterpart multilateral and national officials, Presidential visits and those of White House staff, etc. has increased the EID workload ten-fold. Additional assistance is needed to meet this growing workload, and to assist regional bureaus in effectively incorporating HIV/AIDS and EIDs into their MPP, BPP and routine bureau operations.
2. Expand international and national commitment to increased funding for HIV/AIDS and other EIDs as a priority through multilateral and bilateral fora.		
New FY02 EDF:		
New FY02 D&CP:	\$20K	Increased travel and interaction with international partners is needed. Although OES/SEID will continue to work through the existing diplomatic structure, more direct interaction with embassy representatives and foreign leadership, international organization officials is required.
New FY02 FTE:	0	

Complementary USG Activities (non-DOS)

Through a interagency effort coordinated by ONAP and the NSC, IWG agencies work together to support increased USG interactions on all levels, diplomatic and technical, to expand collaborations for research, prevention, treatment and care, and workplace interentions to fight HIV/AIDS and EID transmission. USAID will concentrate its development assistance efforts in the area of prevention and care/treatment; NIH will concentrate on expansion of international collaborations for HIV/AIDS vaccine research, as well as vaccine research for malaria and TB. DOL will continue interventions with labor ministries and unions, working to expand international coordination in fighting HIV/AIDS in the labor sector through multilateral efforts in the ILO. CDC will continue to develop and strengthen surveillance and response mechanisms, and to expand epidemiological training to enhance capacity among nations where such systems and skills are lacking. Each agency will work with the corresponding international organization (UNAIDS, donor agencies, WHO, PAHO, World Bank, etc. to enhance coordination and collaboration between the USG and other entities' complimentary activities, goals and objectives.

Country(ies)	LIFE Priority countries: Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and India; SADC. 2 nd Priority: China, Russia, Former USSR states (Poland, Czech, Estonia, Latvia) WHA (Haiti other Caribbean; Brazil, Mexico)		
Lead & Partners	Lead: ONAP/NSC, Partners: USAID, DHHS, State/SEID/AF/SA/IO/G; other IWG agencies		
Performance Goal Indicators	FY 2001 Baseline	FY 2001 Target Level	FY 2002 Target Level
National leaders speaking out/making a public commitment to addressing HIV/AIDS, other infectious diseases in Africa/Asia.	12	25	35

Data Source: UNAIDS reports, USAID Reports, World Bank Debt Reduction Strategies

Data Storage: SEID, UNAIDS, USAID

Frequency: Every six months

Validation: Increased public awareness, increased commitment of host government/donor financing for public health infrastructure/ HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care activities.

Assumptions and External Factors for the Performance Goals

USG must maintain leadership to enhance international commitment to fighting HIV/AIDS and EIDs.

Debt reduction remains a viable option for expanded funding for HIV/AIDS and EIDs health needs.

HIV/AIDS, EIDs and international health continue to be a USG international priority.

Performance Goal Resource Summary	FY00	FY01	FY02
Personnel			
American Direct Hire ETE			
FSN Direct Hire ETE			
Funding			
Economic Support State			
State Operations (D&CP only)			
State ICSS			
FSMUSM			
State Representation			
Other State GJS Accounts			
Subtotal			
Foreign Operation			
Economic Support Funding			
Non-Proliferation & Disarmament			
Other Foreign Ops Accounts			

EDF - Program funds (function 150)

D&CP - Diplomatic and Counselor Program funds (travel, personnel, equipment, infrastructure...)

Indicators (Alternative)	
Increased international funding for HIV/AIDS and EIDs.	\$165

Performance Goal		
Expand awareness and reporting on the outbreak and implications of zoonotic diseases for US interests.		
Justification		
Outbreaks of non-endemic zoonotic diseases have implications for US trade interests as well as for the overall surveillance and response to infectious diseases potentially threatening to humans. Increased emphasis to invasive species and potential terrorists attempts to threaten US citizens and interests requires increased monitoring and readiness to respond. The first step in enhanced public awareness and diplomacy efforts..		
Tactics - Continuing Activities for FY02		
1. Enhance diplomatic awareness to the potential problems/threats posed by zoonotic EIDs and the need for enhanced monitoring/ reporting.		
2. Enhance collaborations for international response to outbreaks of zoonotic diseases by USDA, CDC and other technical agencies.		
Complementary USG Activities (non-DOS)		
USDA will continue to monitor outbreaks of zoonotic diseases for appropriate response and causes. Appropriate USG technical agencies will be ready to respond as requested and appropriate on an as needed basis.		
Tactics - New Activities for FY02		
1. Enhanced awareness and EST reporting on the occurrence of new or non-endemic diseases will heighten USG awareness to potential problems/disease threats which pose a threat to humans or other US interests. Correlation of reported data will assist in detecting trends or other phenomena which may be indicators of potential problems or threats. Assist USDA and other technical agencies in analysis of reported data for further use and appropriate action.		
New FY02 EDF:		Justification
New FY02 D&CP:	\$80K	DOS has been requested to expand its assistance in this area, which is currently being overlooked by the international and technical human disease surveillance agencies. It is an area where State's role is value added and critical to mounting a necessary offensive, should conditions warrant

New FY02 FTE:	1	SEID will need to add one additional FTE to take on much of the responsibility in this area, as well as back-up in some of the expanded efforts in the areas of HIV/AIDS and other EIDs public diplomacy efforts. This amount would include administrative costs, personnel, travel and other expenses for this goal.		
Complementary USG Activities (non-DOS)				
There is little complementary USG activity in this area of infectious diseases surveillance, hence USG vulnerability. USDA is seeking increased reporting and assistance by DOS through SEID, EST and our reporting network to provide the necessary surveillance of suspicious outbreaks.				
Country (ies)	China, Taiwan, Korea			
Lead & Partners	USDA, DOS/SEID/EST/INR/posts, CDC and other possible technical agencies			
Performance Goal Indicators		EY '00 Baseline	EY '01 Target Level	EY '02 Target Level
Increased reporting on the outbreak of non-endemic zoonotic diseases which might threaten U.S. interests abroad.		Low incidence reporting on a sporadic basis.	Regularized reporting of outbreak of zoonotic diseases in priority countries.	Regularized reporting of outbreaks of non-endemic zoonotic diseases as part of MPP process worldwide.
Verification and Validation of Performance Goal Indicators				
Data Source: USDA, CDC, WHO, FAO Data Storage: SEID, USDA, CDC, FAO Frequency: every six months Validation: appropriate containment of outbreak of zoonotic diseases at the source				
Assumptions and External Factors for the Performance Goals				
USG leadership in appropriate surveillance and response to the outbreak on non-endemic zoonotic diseases will be necessary to appropriately contain a more serious outbreak. Failure to appropriately contain zoonotic disease outbreaks could threaten US interests. International cooperation in reporting and containing outbreaks of zoonotic diseases.				



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Hi Cheryl - here are the matrix and calendar documents we'd like ONAP to update. Especially for the HIV/AIDS sections of the matrix, and any trips/meetings Sandy Thurmond has coming up in Africa /with Africans for the calendar.

Thanks very much! - Dave Hermann

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PS: I'm going on leave this afternoon -- Bob Molina is at 647-4099 fax 736-4583

> -----Original Message-----

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> Calendar?!?!? What calendar?!?!?

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> Ok, just as a reminder, we need from each agency your upcoming Africa

> activities for the coming year. So that we can plan a POTUS trip better

> and possibly a US-AF Summit. Here's what we've got so far (attached AND

> pasted below) -- pls provide input on your agency's upcoming meetings in

> Africa or with big meetings with Africans or upcoming trips by principals

> etc.

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> Also, some of you still haven't sent in your matrix submissions -- pls

> fax to Bob at 202.736.4583 ASAP!!

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> Kudos to Jerry (Commerce), Ed (Treas) and Sharon (USAID) who have done

> both.
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> Thanks - Dave Hermann.
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> PS - I'm on leave, so pls reply to Bob Molina. Thnx.
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> PPS - Bob - save this e-mail. Its got most of our IWG friends' addresses.
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October

November

- Nov 7 -U.S. Elections

December

Submissions so far: Commerce, USAID, State (partial)

Still need: JEPC, everything else

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
A	<i>TRADE</i>			
A1	Pass African Growth and Opportunity Act. Administration wants rapid passage by the U.S. Congress.	Passed by the House on July 16 and by the Senate on November 3. Awaiting Conference.		NSC w/USTR, State, Treasury, Commerce

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A2	Build a strong commercial partnership.	• TDA programs proceeding, including highest ever relative and absolute val • program in Africa. • FCS to expand country coverage once Congress appropriates funds. OPIC, and TDA programs proceeding. Same for State programs, including Business Facilitation Investive Fund and expansion of Gold Key series. • Commerce has expanded US&FCS operations in South Africa, Cote d'Ivoire, and Kenya, and will assign a second officer in Nigeria this year. Will also assign an officer to AfDB/Abidjan and an officer responsible for the Bank based in D.C. • Commerce developed Commercial Law Development Programs (CLDP's) for SADC and West Africa, and proposals for programs in Nigeria and Angola. [Nigeria program awaiting final approval for USAID funding; Angola program awaiting approval by GRA.] • Ex-Im Bank extended routine financing to 11 African countries and expand in 5 others. • Ex-Im Bank opened for business in Nigeria, Mozambique and Tanzania, as Ex-Im Bank • routine country review. • Ex-Im Bank visited private businesses, banks, other lending institutions, go- officials in Cote d'Ivoire, South Africa, Nigeria, Ghana and Namibia, Mozambique, Cape Verde, Benin, Mauritius, Senegal, Malawi and Tanzania. • Ex-Im Bank plans 5 business development trips to Africa to promote Ex-Im products, conduct training seminars, and participate in African conferences and trade fairs. • Ex-Im Bank business development officers will conduct special training ses Im Bank in March and October 2000 to a thorough understanding of Ex-Im Bank programs to Africa Embassy representatives. • Ex-Im Bank business development officers will conduct regional training se Ex-Im Bank programs for African importers, banks, regional organizations and US embassy personnel.		
A3	Understanding U.S. market access requirements.	Assist Africa in understanding U.S. market access requirements. Upgrading of USG websites taking place. Future GSP seminars in Africa planned.		USTR, USAID, USDA

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A4	Encourage AF countries to reduce tariff barriers both regionally and externally.	USAID assistance has been given to SADC members re SADC trade protocol, 1998 to date; Assistance planned for COMESA re implementaion of FTA in 10/00		USAID
A5	Improve U.S. market access for African products.	AGOA pending approval.		USG agencies
A6	Provide technical assistance for business development, trade linkages, training/mentoring and intranet-based virtual business community Also provides for conferences designed to help Egyptian small businesses	USTR and USAID have worked closely together to create and implement a program of regional and national workshops structured to help African countries better understand the WTO and potential benefits from increased trade. On the margins of the Seattle WTO Ministerial Conference, USTR and USAID hosted a Technical Assistance Symposium for African Trade Ministers on WTO-Related Technical Assistance Resources available from multilateral, regional, and bilateral donors and on how to develop core national expertise. A comprehensive Guide to WTO-Related Technical Assistance was also released. In 1999, WTO-related workshops were held at the regional level in Zambia (co-sponsored) by COMESA) and at the national level in South Africa, Uganda, Senegal, Cote d'Ivoire, and Mali. During March-July 2000, USAID/WTO seminars proposed for COMESA, Nigeria, UEMOA, Madagascar and Zambia. USAID is also working in Uganda to develop its capacity to meet obligations under the WTO. Areas of WTO-related technical assistance in Uganda include agricultural issues, customs valuation, sanitary and phytosanitary requirements, and, in conjunction with the Commerce Department, the establishment of WTO-consistent local commercial law, specifically in IPR. Second Commercial Law workshop scheduled for spring 00. The workshops are one step in helping African countries establish core national expertise on WTO and trade issues. On margins of Seattle WTO Ministerial, USTR and USAID hosted a Technical Assistance Symposium for African Trade Ministers on WTO-related technical assistance resources. • USDA hosted May 1999 20 AF countries on WTO and CODEX. USDA hosted agricultural workshops at the African/African-American Summit. • After extensive talks with South Africa's Department of Trade and Industry Small Business Promotion, SBA has sent a proposal to USAID and DTI/CSBP for their review and comments • In the Fall of '99 SBA entered into a Participating Agency Service Agreement between USAID/Egypt to provide through Social Fund for Development and organizations technical assistance. USAID has issued the funding for this project in the amount of \$3.4 million.		USTR, USAID, Commerce USDA SBA, USAID

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A7	Continuation of WTO Lome waiver through transitional period.	EU and ACP countries have reached an agreement, however there has not yet been a request for a WTO waiver.		USTR, USAID, USDA
A8	Attention to special needs of small, island and/or landlocked states.	Raised during preparations for the Seattle Ministerial Conference and during the conference by Mauritius. Difficult issue because of larger, non-African implications.	Requested by some but not all AF countries	USTR w/Treasury and State
A9	Support for Regional Organizations.	- USDA officials met to follow-up on bilateral discussions with COMESA Trade Ministers on a cooperative program of action for agriculture at the COMESA Council of Ministers meeting in Nairobi, May 24 – 26, 1999. A follow-up SPS workshop is tentatively scheduled to take place the first part of 2000 with COMESA officials. - USDA led a discussion on agricultural trade as part of the U.S. Government U.S.-SADC Forum on April 14-16, 1999. - With U.S. support, OAU was granted ad-hoc observer for Seattle Ministerial Conference. - This issue is under consideration at the WTO with modalities still to be worked out. - Ex-Im Bank used a regional bank located in one African country where we are not officially open to support transactions in countries where we are officially closed for routine transactions - Ex-Im Bank's internal Africa Task Force (ATF) will explore a variety of options for Ex-Im Bank to support regional organizations.		USTR, USAID, USDA
A10	OAU/AEC permanent observer status at WTO.	U.S. supports in principle pending WTO decision on modalities. The WTO is discussing the modalities.		USTR
A11	Multilateral institutions coordinate more effectively with WTO, especially on technical assistance.	- POTUS met with international organization at the Seattle Ministerial Conference to consider how to more effectively meet the capacity building TA of developing countries. - POTUS urged the G8 to request a review of their collective findings to be reported at the Okinawa G8 Summit.		Treasury, USTR, and as needed, USAID

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
A12	Establish mechanism for regular U.S.-Africa consultations in Geneva and Washington in preparation for WTO Ministerial.	U.S.-OAU consultative mechanism created. AUSTR briefed African Ambassadors during the preparations for the Seattle Ministerial Conference. AUSTR also traveled to Africa to consult with Trade Ministers on the margins of regional meetings. Further plans being developed.		USTR
B	TRADE/INVESTMENT			
B1	Regular dialogue on trade and investment issues.	• Concluded Trade and Investment Framework Agreements (TIFAS) with Africa, Ghana and Nigeria (February 16). • First U.S.-South Africa TIFA Council meeting held in July 1999, produced progress on intellectual property issues and established a basis for U.S.-South Africa cooperation on WTO issues. • U.S.-Nigeria TIFA signed February 16. First U.S.-Ghana TIFA Council will place in 2000, pending arrangements for video-conferencing. • Reached agreement on text of U.S.-WAEMU TIFA; signature date pending approval of ATRIP's proposal for a WAEMU Trade Minister Technical Assistance Program in Washington.	• also on web site • infrastructure heading	• TIFA, OPEIC, State govern • USTR, USAID, USDA, DOE, Ex-Im Bank
B2	USG more vigorously to encourage U.S. business to explore opportunities, especially in core sectors.	• Ex-Im Bank added an Africa page to our web site with information about joining our E-mail Africa. • Ex-Im Bank initiated E-mail Africa to thousands of Africa addresses, banks, associations, U.S. Embassies, agents, buyers and other interested parties as a way to disseminate information about Ex-Im Bank activities programs and products and to provide a mechanism for immediate response for assistance and more information by return e-mail. • Ex-Im Bank designed a new 8-page glossy marketing brochure for use both domestically and internationally in English, French and Portuguese. • Ex-Im Bank's Business Development Division to cover trade shows, trade fairs, activities, international gatherings in the U.S. and Africa to promote Ex-Im Bank using the Bank's marketing booth and marketing materials. • Increasing exports to Africa has become a major part of the strategic plans of Bank's six regional offices. • Emphasis on increasing business with Africa has become a part of all Ex-Im training and seminars.		
C	INVESTMENT			

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C1	Expanded collaboration with African agencies that facilitate investment.	- Investor roadmaps funded by USAID recently completed in Kenya, Madagascar, Senegal, and Zambia. - USAID and the Malawi Investment Promotion Agency will update a previous roadmap and explore reform of monopoly of state-owned enterprises made possible by recent Parliamentary passage of the Electricity Bill and the Communications Bill.		
D	FINANCE			
D1	Develop a means for dealing with financial problems of post-conflict countries.	U.S. exploring issue with G-8 partners.		Treasury
D2	IMF and World Bank collaborate more closely.	Bank and Fund working together on scheduling countries for Enhanced HIPC debt relief and helping recipient countries develop Enhanced HIPC Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers.		Treasury
D3	U.S., AFDB, and regional institutions cooperate more closely, esp. on project finance.	- Collaboration pursued through USED and other DfID programs. - Ex-Im Bank's internal Africa Task Force is attempting to forge alliances with numerous banks to promote U.S. exports to these markets.		Treasury, AFDB Board, Ex-Im Bank
E	FINANCE			
E1	Greater and more regular communications on international financial architecture.	Greater dialogue will be held through consultations @ AFDB annual meetings and IMF/World Bank spring and annual meetings and during bilateral visits.		Treasury, State
E2	Increase Ex-Im Bank Financing	- Ex-Im Bank extended the lending terms on used and refurbished equipment. - Ex-Im Bank added the rand to the list of pre-approved currencies which Ex-Im Bank will guarantee. - Ex-Im Bank issued credit lines for 16 banks in Nigeria for a total of \$71m. - Ex-Im Bank completed four transactions since November under our short-term insurance policy in Nigeria totaling \$4m.		Ex-Im Bank

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E3	Support for micro-enterprise	• Funding for Microenterprises in Africa is up substantially from \$17m in 1997 to \$38m in 1997 and remain at a similarly high level for 1998 and 1999. • Since March 1999, USAID has provided U.S.-based training in best practice African participants; USAID sent 8 African participants to Microcredit Summit in Cote d'Ivoire (June 1999). • Six grants were made by USAID's Office of Microenterprise Development PVO's for business development services and microfinance programs in Africa. • During FY2000 USAID will hold a Rural Finance Conference in Mali in support of Africa/Seeds of Hope legislation. • USAID anticipates making three awards to land grants universities in pursuit of Africa: Seeds of Hope legislation objectives. • Of the ten projects OPIC supported in Africa, 8 were small business. • Ex-Im Bank's internal ATF is in the process of examining creative options to how Ex-Im Bank can support more transactions.		Ex-Im Bank, USAID, Treasury, OPIC
F	DEBT RELIEF			
F1	Multilateral debt relief for middle income African countries with persistent poverty.	U.S. unable to support HIPC - like approach for other than the poorest reforming countries eligible. However, middle income countries, in the context of an economic reform program and where there is a demonstrated financial need, can have recourse to Paris Club.		Treasury

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F2	Forgive all debts for the poorest countries: - A new approach to international relief programs, with relief tailored to a country's circumstances. - Country analyses include domestic as well as foreign debt. - Forgiveness, not rescheduling, for a broader range of countries. - IFI debt relief should be deeper, faster, and broader. - New financing for eligible countries in a manner that eases rather than exacerbates debt burdens.	U.S. had agreed in multilateral context to forgive debts of HIPC. Expected that the U.S. will forgive over \$500million in bilateral debt this year and next. Congress appropriated \$130 million in FY 2000 for the U.S. bilateral share of Enhanced HIPC debt relief. The Administration has decided to request \$250million more for FY 2000. - concessional HIPC debt owed to the USG. - HIPC debt relief. - treatment in January. Will work with Paris Club in providing relief for SSA this year and next.	U.S. explored with G-8 partners. \$31m had been set aside for debt relief for AF countries in FY '99. Clinton advocated 6 point debt relief initiative at G-8 Summit in June. The U.S. will endeavor to forgive debt in front of both concessional and non-concessional creditors. The IMF has decided to use "off-budget gold sales" to finance its share of I Uganda, Mozambique and Mauritania are expected to qualify for enhanced	Treasury
F3	Close and substantive consultations.	Treasury exploring options.		Treasury
G	INFRASTRUCTURE			
G1	Infrastructure project finance	- Ex-Im Bank continues to support various projects and is working on several projects still in the discussion stage. - Ex-Im Bank offered to provide a vehicle whereby the usually expensive legal analytical services for small projects under \$30M, will be done in-house.	Ex-Im Bank continues to support various projects and is working on several projects still in the discussion stage. Ex-Im Bank offered to provide a vehicle whereby the usually expensive legal analytical services for small projects under \$30M, will be done in-house.	EX-IM/DOC
G2	Safe Skies Initiative	- DOT visited Kenya to begin preliminary work on DOT Africa Initiative. - DOT began work on Cote d'Ivoire in July as part of Safe Skies Initiative. - Ex-Im Bank signed a Memoranda of Cooperation (MOC) with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the member nations of the DOT Safe Skies Initiative.	DOT visited Kenya to begin preliminary work on DOT Africa Initiative. DOT began work on Cote d'Ivoire in July as part of Safe Skies Initiative. Ex-Im Bank signed a Memoranda of Cooperation (MOC) with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the member nations of the DOT Safe Skies Initiative.	DOT/DOC
G3	DOT Africa Initiative	DOT co-hosted Infrastructure Ministerial in October [actually was Sept in	DOT co-hosted Infrastructure Ministerial in October [actually was Sept in	DOT
G4	FHWA technology transfer centers			DOT/FHWA

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G5	TDA expanded engagement with African countries and regional organizations to improve transport and communications infrastructure through technical assistance and support for private investment.	- TDA sponsored conferences/orientation visits in the ports and aviation sectors in 1999 to engage AF project sponsors & the U.S. private sector. - In August 1999 TDA signed a grant agreement with the Civil Aviation Authority of Mali for a \$285,000 feasibility study for the modernization and expansion of the Bamako-Senon Airport. AAROTEC of Fairfax, VA was selected to perform the study, which is slated to early spring 2000. - In February 2000, TDA signed two grant agreements with the Ministry of Transportation for (1) the development of the Port of Limbre (\$124,625) and (2) technical assistance for the packaging and concessioning of the country's airports (\$137,800).		
G6	Regional energy infrastructure projects	- The ATRIP- funded West Africa Gas Pipeline activity approved for \$1.5 million will fund workshops and technical assistance for legal, fiscal, and environmental regulatory harmonization between Nigeria, Ghana, Benin and Togo. The project will train key African government officials in preparation for ongoing negotiations, monitoring of implementation, and integration of the project into the national economies. Private concessionaire will build and operate \$400-600 million regulated gas pipeline. - The Southern African Power Pool was approved for \$3million. USAID/Pu refine the results, and complete the training and transfer to the SAPP Coordination Center, of a model for region-wide investment planning in electrical power generation and transmission – to identify opportunities to reduce power costs and environmental damage over the next 20 years. - Ex-Im Bank expects to close on the Chad-Cameroon pipeline shortly.		USAID/Ex-Im Bank
G7	Closer cooperation in identifying corridors for regional and international trade.			DOT/USAID
G8	Donor priority for regional road projects.	DOT to sent multi-modal assessment team to Nigeria in June.		DOT
H	AGRICULTURE			
H1	Cooperative research in agriculture.	- ATRIP funded for 1999 a USDAS/USAID activity designed to enhance trans management capacity and the harmonization of standards to foster U.S. agricultural trade opportunities in East Africa. *This project is focused on the Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzanian markets. Sec. Glickman held bilateral meeting during U.S.-Africa Ministerial with th - Min. of Agriculture to discuss resuming collaborative research programs.		

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H2	Agricultural Activity.	- Secretary Glickman signed a memorandum of cooperation in the amount of \$10 million in July 1999 between USDA, 1890 Universities, the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centers (CIMMYT), and countries in Africa to help promote the importance of biotechnology to trade and development in Sub-Saharan Africa. - August Schumacher, Under Secretary for Farm & Foreign Agricultural Services, met with the Dangote Group of Nigeria during the African-American Summit in Accra, Ghana May 15-22, 1999 to discuss the high prices prohibiting purchases of U.S. rice. - As a follow-up to Sec. Glickman's meeting with the Nigerian Min. of Agriculture, USDA officials met with Tanzanian Ambassador on June 1, 1999 to discuss USDA's Export Credit programs such as GSM and food aid assistance programs. - USDA will lead a trade mission and host GSM workshops from January 25-30, 2000 in Morocco, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana and Nigeria. USDA will be joined by U.S. exporters, commodity corporations and bankers. - USAID and USDA collaborated on a field assessment in Nigeria in November 1999 to identify activities to fit into USAID/Nigeria's two-year transitional program. - USAID will add four countries (Kenya, Zambia, Tanzania and Ghana) to the President's Africa Food Security Initiative in FY 2000. USAID will maintain agricultural funding to the initial AFSI countries - Mozambique, Mali, Ethiopia, Uganda and Malawi. - USAID is undertaking new initiatives in FY 2000 with private sector industries to identify African farmers and institutions that will enhance cocoa production and raise farmers' incomes.		
H3	Assistance in attracting investment and technologies for ag-processing ventures.	- TDA remains prepared to assist in the preparations for agribusiness projects. USDA, OPIC - In September 1999, TDA signed a grant with the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Handicrafts of Mali for a \$250,000 feasibility study for the construction of a sugar factory in the Segou region of the country. Schaffer & Associates International is conducting this feasibility study (February 2000).		
H4	Agriculture project finance	Ex-Im Bank programs support exports of agricultural commodities and equipment from Africa.		
I	ENERGY			

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
I1	• Expand cooperation and dialogue on energy issues	• on • •	Hosted Energy Ministerial in December 99 (44 countries) Technical Preparatory Meeting in Algeria (Fall 00) Follow-up Ministerial Meeting in South Africa (last quarter of 00)	DOE
I2	• Clean Energy Investments and Practices	• • • • • Summer Institute (University of Arizona)	US-Africa Sustainable Energy Program (NGOs/specialists) Sustainable Development Conference in Morocco (Spring 00) Oil Spill Conference (Fall 00) Coal Waste Capacity Building Seminar (April 00) Sustainable Energy Development Capacity Building	DOE/OPIC DOE DOE/State/ Commerce DOE DOE
I3	• Market Restructuring and Integration Assistance	• • • Power Pooling (Advocacy/Technical Assistance) • (Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania)	Oil and Gas Capacity Building Seminar (University of Houston) Southern Africa Energy Program West Africa Gas Pipeline Project and Economic Community of West Africa Working to expand or implement programs with Ghana, Nigeria and East Africa	DOE/Houston) - TBD DOE/USAID USAID/DOE DOE/USAID
I4	• Energy Project Finance	• • • projects.	Ex-Im Bank attended the Energy Ministerial in Tunis Ex-Im Bank is involved in developing numerous transactions to support energy	Ex-Im Bank
I5	• Rural Energy Services	• • Mozambique, Senegal and Nigeria to demonstrate on-grid and off-grid technologies, including renewable energy, and sustainable energy development for economic growth • Women in Energy Initiative	Working to develop programs with East Africa (Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania)	DOE/USAID DOE
J	ENVIRONMENT			
J1	Ratify UN Convention to Combat Desertification.	Administration supports ratification ASAP.	State working with U.S. Senate	State
J2	Financing environmental exports and projects	• beneficial goods and services. • transactions that will benefit the environment.	Ex-Im Bank offers a product with special terms for Ex-Im Bank Ex-Im Bank is currently involved in discussions with companies on several	Ex-Im Bank

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
J3	U.S. leadership on ensuring that Africa is not the venue for dumping and storage of toxic wastes from industrial countries.	Will discuss further and work to address issue.		State
K	<i>REGIONAL INTEGRATION</i>			

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
K1	Support for regional organizations. U.S. interested in extending support for regional groupings, including: • Encouragement for creative approaches by the IFIs • U.S. encourages EAC and SADC states to ratify instruments for GSP cumulation, as we encourage other regional organizations to take steps that would make them also eligible for cumulation.	• First U.S.-SADC Forum April 1999. Five SADC countries attended trade pr • Nine more needed to make it effective. EAC treaty ratification possible by August. [[Planning U.S.-ECOWAS Forum early-mid 2000. – <i>decision pending</i>]] • USAID missions in Southern Africa are assisting Mozambique, and are now assistance to other SADC members, to complete negotiation and implementation of the SADC Trade Protocol. • The Africa Bureau has recently been in discussions with SADC including tr • DAAs Verne Newton and Valerie Dickson-Horton. • ATRIP is supporting USAID Mali's contribution to the government's capac • assess the impact of the West African Economic and Monetary Union's (WAEMU) community investment code from public and private sector viewpoints. • TDA has provided direct technical assistance not just to specific country sp • also to regional organizations where appropriate. Currently providing \$327,000 grant to SADC for an air traffic control study. Also organized an Orientation Visit to the U.S. of African organizations developing new passport and identification card systems. • In September 1999 TDA sponsored an Africa regional stock exchange orier • for officials from Ghana, Mauritius, SADC, Morocco, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, and the West African Bourse. The purpose of the visit was to expose African stock exchanges to U.S. equipment manufacturers and service providers in the areas of information technology and low-tech goods. Site visits included the New York Stock Exchange, Chicago Stock Exchange, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and the Cincinnati Stock Exchange. • DOE is working with regional organizations to identify activities to strengt • policy mechanisms • Ex-Im Bank signed a Memoranda of Cooperation (MOC) with Department Transportation (DOT) and SADC countries to support regional transportation needs. • Ex-Im Bank is working with the South African Civil Aeronautics Authority • the sale of U.S. calibration equipment to be used to calibrate airports in SADC countries.		USAID State, Treasury, USTR, TDA DOE Ex-Im Bank
L	DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE			

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L1	Development assistance remains an essential component of the effort to promote sustainable growth & alleviate poverty in Africa.	USG budgets for Development Assistance for SSA are \$711 million for FY '99, nearly \$800 million for FY '00, (including DA, CSD and ESF) and \$935 for FY '01.		State
L2	U.S. support for UN policies and funding, including financial commitments.	Administration has asked Congress to appropriate the funding to meet our UN obligations.		State
L3	Close consultations on African national priorities, to strike the right balance between assistance provided through govts and through NGOs.	USAID staff will serve on the Advisory Committee of the Africa Liaison Program Initiative to provide guidance and assistance to InterAction, the organization responsible for implementing a three-year initiative to improve relations between PVOs, NGOs and USAID. Advisory Committee Meeting held Nov 99. Sub-regional planning meetings held Jan 00. Sub-regional Conferences in March 00.		USAID
M	HUMAN CAPITAL			
M1	Speedy implementation of the Education Initiative.	USAID earmarked \$26m in FY '99, \$30 million (including 1.5 for Nigeria) in FY '00, and 30 million for FY '01 in support of EDDI programs. Twenty-two university partnerships have been funded in Angola, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa and Tanzania.		USAID, State
N	TELECOM			
N1	Support Africa's Research and Development, including with information technology.	• EDDI, Leland Initiative, and other USAID efforts are linking U.S. and African universities via high-speed internet; target is 100 such partnerships over the next 3 years. On track: Examples include high speed satellite dishes for the Rwanda National University of Rwanda – University of Maryland partnership, and the Kenya Education Network linking 21 Kenyan universities together and then on to SUNY-Cortland. • TDA remains willing to assist in the planning of spectrum monitoring & management activities and to the planning of the rollout of new telecommunications projects and licenses. • Ex-Im Bank has supported and continues to support transactions which will telecom in various sub-Saharan African countries.		• •

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N2	Expand Leland Initiative to other African countries particularly those in Central Africa.	- Internet connectivity was completed in two secondary cities in Madagascar. - National internet gateway three secondary cities was connected in Malawi in November. - Leland Internet gateway established in Eritrea, bringing the Internet to the last remaining country on the continent to be connected. - Leland Initiative and Govt. of Lesotho negotiating Leland policy MOU. - Leland Internet assessments being scheduled for DROC, Burundi and Niger.		
N3	Assist African regulatory authorities.	- USAID is co-financing a study by World Bank/African Development Bank on results competition in 6 African countries. WB paper on LA and African experience was completed in May. Case studies for Ghana, Uganda, Cote d'Ivoire, Senegal, Tanzania, and Malawi are being prepared. - A new USG TA mechanism to build regulatory capacity is being designed for the second half of 1999. - ATRIP funding for a Telecommunications Policy Activity was approved for \$1 million) to assist selected African countries to identify models for telecommunications regulation that will promote greater competition and will lower costs among providers. On track: FCC has implemented Chairman's Initiative and established regulatory strengthening work plans with Uganda, Ghana and South Africa. ATRIPP –funded study tour for key officials from these three countries scheduled for May 2000. FCC has published Africa-specific Guide to Regulators - USAID funded the US Telecom Training Institute to deliver an e-commerce building tour for officials from seven African countries.		
O	HIV – AIDS			

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	ACTIVITIES	STATUS	SPECIAL NOTE	ISSUE MANAGER
O1	Support for efforts to build African capacity to monitor the prevalence of HIV/AIDS in Africa	• surveillance systems including the hiring of two epidemiologists dedicated to international surveillance programs. • to bring together all of the major stakeholders (countries, donors, others) to discuss how to develop what needs to be done to strengthen HIV/AIDS surveillance in Africa. • epidemic on a variety of sectors in West Africa. • • of interventions in Africa.	USAID has provided \$1 million to DHHS/CDC to assist in the development of surveillance systems. USAID will support a meeting in Harare in February 2000 convened by WI to bring together all of the major stakeholders (countries, donors, others) to discuss how to develop what needs to be done to strengthen HIV/AIDS surveillance in Africa. Futures Group will organize a meeting of 10 AF countries to discuss the impact of HIV/AIDS on a variety of sectors in West Africa. Commissioned paper on best practices of community level approaches. In FY '99 provided \$10m for research programs aimed at improving the effectiveness of interventions in Africa.	USAID
O2	Assistance in developing multisectoral responses that include political commitment	• Africa • guide in June 2000 • officials and USAID field personnel to discuss how to develop and implement multisectoral responses to AIDS. DONE • economic growth and agriculture/natural resource management sectors. USAID is working with the World Bank, UNICEF, UNDP on assessing the impact of AIDS on the education sector •	The Life Initiative provided \$13M to CDC to support HIV surveillance systems. USAID, UNAIDS, WHO are issuing a joint HIV/AIDS monitoring and evaluation guide in June 2000. USAID convened a major meeting in Washington of international experts, 1 officials and USAID field personnel to discuss how to develop and implement multisectoral responses to AIDS. DONE USAID is actively integrating HIV/AIDS into the education, democracy/governance, economic growth and agriculture/natural resource management sectors. USAID is working with the World Bank, UNICEF, UNDP on assessing the impact of AIDS on the education sector Director Sandra Thurman to Africa three times in the past year.	USAID
O3	Assistance on involving local communities	• to the AIDS orphan problem in Africa. • to support expanded prevention/care programs for HIV in 13 of the 22 countries in which USAID is active • African countries (22) in which there is an AIDS program.	In FY 2000, USAID will allocate \$20 million for community model programs to support expanded prevention/care programs for HIV in 13 of the 22 countries in which USAID is active. USAID/AFR is programming additional resources from the LIFE initiative to support expanded prevention/care programs for HIV in 13 of the 22 countries in which USAID is active. USAID has been supporting community responses to the HIV/AIDS epidemic in African countries (22) in which there is an AIDS program.	USAID

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O4	Collaboration research on effective prevention, care and treatment.	• In FY 2000 USAID supported an operations research program that addresses of social and prevention related issues in Africa. • With additional resources in FY 2000, USAID is expanding its Operations program to increase its focus on reducing stigma and discrimination, ways to increase multisectoral involvement in HV prevention and care, and new prevention strategies such as voluntary counseling and testing and mother to child transmission prevention.		
O5	Assist African countries raise HIV/AIDS consciousness through a workplace based education initiative.	• On February 3-4, 2000, AFL/CIO President Sweeney, Secretary Herman, and White House Policy Office will host a U.S. African Trade Union Summit on HIV/AIDS aimed at devising strategies to mobilize a tripartite collaboration of working people, businesses and government agencies against the spread of HIV/AIDS. • USAID is working with the AFL/CIO's solidarity Center to work with unions in Africa to implement workplace-based HIV/AIDS programs • Commerce has enlisted US&FCS to engage with U.S. firms, AID missions and NGO's to develop and replicate education/outreach programs for their employees, and report on successes so as to spread effective approaches.		
P	TRANSNATIONAL THREATS			
P1	Enhance cooperation in combating transnational crime, narcotics, terrorism, arms proliferation, disease, and environmental degradation.	INL requested \$3m in its FY '00 budget to establish an International Law Enforcement Academy in southern Africa. The proposal was advanced at the U.S.-SADC Forum in April. A team of representatives from State (INL, L) and the Justice Department will be traveling to Botswana on February 14, 2000 to discuss funding of the ILEA. The Botswanan government has enthusiastically agreed to house the ILEA.		State
Q	DEMOCRACY, GOVERNANCE, HUMAN RIGHTS			

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Q1	Assistance in meeting standards of public accountability.	- U.S. supports with technical assistance, both bilateral and multilateral, via the IFIs. - U.S. working with GCA and African nations in an anti-corruption initiative. - Exploring ideas on Summit for this summer for 11 Bank countries to launch the c - Vice President Gore's anti-corruption conference in April included 14 AF countries. - In Nigeria during April/May, USAID has supported the training of 10,000 r - elected government officials (national and state legislators, governors, and local government officials). One-to-three-day sessions to discuss issues of federalism, corruption, and responsibilities to constituents. - Traditional Ex-Im Bank documents require pledges of transparency and adh - anti-corruption practices.		
Q2	Assistance in fighting corruption through improved investigatory tools, institutional and human-capacity building, and protection for anti-corruption advocates.	- In Madagascar during May, USAID sponsored an anti-corruption seminar, l - together Malagasy from across the country. - USAID participated in a conference on anti-corruption in October in Durba - Africa which has become the pre-eminent international forum on the issue of corruption. USAID sponsored numerous country officials from Ghana, Madagascar, and Botswana.		
R	CONFLICT RESOLUTION			
R1	International cooperation to strengthen the rule of law and democratic institutions 1. Great Lakes Justice Initiative 2. Radio Democracy for Africa 3. DOL program to combat child labor 4. Existing USAID democracy and governance programs	\$25m allocated for FY '99. Program selection underway at USAID & State. 1. No recent developments. 2. VOA increased programming to target AF countries by 13 hours per week. Obtained Congressional approval of a plan to reallocate \$6M for '99 to don reorientation of its Africa service to meet RDA objectives. DOL to add 8 AF countries to IPEC program. More than \$2 million has be to Uganda and Ghana. Three quarters of a million dollars has been released for a program in Nigeria. 4. No major developments.		State, USAID 1.
R2	DOL program to build capacity within the African Labor Ministries	DOL will soon begin a multi-million dollar program to build capacity within selected African Labor Ministries.		DOL

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R3	Support for conflict resolution, especially in strengthening African capacity, including through (sub) regional organizations. ACRI ACSS Assistance to ECOMOG and OAU	• Some funding would be utilized for the transition of President Konare to the chair of ECOWAS and additional funding for strengthening the institutional capacity of ECOWAS. (Congressional hold on \$1m for ECOWAS, also IG audit in progress) • Disputes (ACCORD) by strengthening its capacity to approach the area of conflict. (ongoing) • Prior to the Ministerial USAID had discussions with IGAD in the area of early systems and conflict prevention, mitigation, and response (CPMR). Funding mechanisms available at the regional level from the Greater horn of Africa Initiative are for Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Djibouti, Rwanda, and Burundi. • In FY '99 \$2.5 million of ESF money to support ECOMOG in Sierra Leone • In FY '00 \$1 million of ESF to OAU and \$2 million expected in FY'01. • State allocated \$5.8 million additional funding for Sierra Leone through AC • and ESF in FY'99. • \$1 million ESF for Nigerian Medical support for Sierra Leone Casualties. • Great Lakes Justice Initiative Programs are being implemented through U.S • international NGO's over a five-year period to achieve specified goals in Rwanda, DROC and Burundi. • Contributing \$200,000 to West African Small Arms Moratorium and consid • further assistance in enforcement training. (Congressional hold/IG audit) • Focusing on creation of the regional centers to monitor the flow of small arms • Demarched AF & potential donor nations (EU, Canada) and received positive responses.	USAID will program economic support (ESF) funds to ECOWAS, ECOC	State DOD, USAID
R4	Programs to integrate ex-combatants			USAID
S	ONE STEP, ONE JOURNEY			
S1	Institutionalize the dialogue.	Agree to explore means of ensuring that consultations continue.	Under interagency discussion	NSC

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Without having all the info in, here's a general statement that tracks the most recent correspondence in from the EU.

Please provide your comments as soon as possible. This is also out to the other participants at yesterday's meeting and to the NIH and CDC.

President Clinton, host for the Denver Summit, called for enhanced international collaboration in research and development for an HIV/AIDS vaccine. That call was supported and expanded in subsequent G-8 Summits in Birmingham and Cologne, where nations agreed to strengthen our mutual efforts to address HIV/AIDS, malaria and TB as a global priority. In fulfillment of those commitments, the US and EU agree to pursue a collaborative effort for development of an AIDS vaccine, and to explore other mechanisms for enhancing research and development for needed vaccines and therapeutics for HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, in support of the World Health Organization and UNAIDS in their call for greater international support in these areas.

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Message: This is a cable to USEU + Lisbon.
It is the outcome of a brainstorming session
last Thursday. Nancy Carlin-Foster, Jack Chow and
Tony Holmes have reviewed it and clear.
Please feel free to call me. I hope to
send this out today. Thanks

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SUBJECT: DEVELOPING A FRAMEWORK FOR U.S.-EU COOPERATION ON
HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN AFRICA

1. SUMMARY. ENHANCING U.S.-EU COOPERATION ON HIV/AIDS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN AFRICA HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME AN IMPORTANT DELIVERABLE AT THE U.S.-EU SUMMIT IN JUNE. THIS CABLE CONTAINS A NON-PAPER TO BE SHARED WITH EU COUNTERPARTS AS A FIRST STEP TOWARD DEVELOPING CONSENSUS ON HOW TO APPROACH THE ISSUES. IT ALSO CONTAINS IDEAS ABOUT THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC DIPLOMACY EFFORTS DIRECTED AT ENCOURAGING INCREASED ATTENTION BY AFRICAN LEADERS TO THE GROWING PROBLEM OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. THE HOPE IS TO LAUNCH AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE THAT WILL ATTRACT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND WORK IN A COMPLEMENTARY WAY WITH G-8 EFFORTS. END SUMMARY.

2. THE SECRETARY RAISED THE ISSUE OF ENHANCED U.S.-EU COOPERATION ON HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES AT THE U.S.-EU MINISTERIAL IN LISBON ON MARCH 3 AND IN HER MEETING WITH COMMISSION PRESIDENT PRODI IN BRUSSELS ON MARCH 10. REFTEL NOTES HOW THE EU PRESIDENCY VERY MUCH WANTS TO MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS ON HIV/AIDS IN AFRICA A

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DELIVERABLE FOR THE U.S.-EU SUMMIT, CURRENTLY SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 5 IN PORTUGAL.

3. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO SHARE THE FOLLOWING NON-PAPER WITH APPROPRIATE COUNTERPARTS IN THE PORTUGUESE MFA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION/COUNCIL SECRETARIAT AND REPORT BACK ON INITIAL REACTION NO LATER THAN APRIL 5. WE HOPE TO USE THIS INPUT IN DISCUSSING THE SUBJECT AT THE APRIL 13 SENIOR LEVEL GROUP MEETING. INFO ADDRESSEES ARE FREE TO SHARE THE NON-PAPER WITH APPROPRIATE CONTACTS AND TO MAKE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.

BEGIN NON-PAPER:

4. THE HUMAN TOLL OF THE AIDS EPIDEMIC IS STAGGERING. FIFTY MILLION PEOPLE WORLDWIDE HAVE BEEN AFFECTED WITH THE HIV VIRUS; 33.6 MILLION ARE NOW LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS, AND ANNUAL AIDS-RELATED FATALITIES HIT A RECORD 2.6 MILLION IN 1999. NINETY-FIVE PERCENT OF ALL CASES ARE IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD. AIDS IS NOW THE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN AFRICA AND THE FOURTH IN THE WORLD. OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES, NOTABLY MALARIA, ALSO EXACT AN ALARMING HUMAN TOLL. IN ALL, INFECTIOUS DISEASES CAUSE SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF DEATHS IN SUB-SHARAN AFRICA. AIDS IS WIPING OUT DECADES OF PROGRESS ON A HOST OF DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES IN AFRICA. SINCE HIV/AIDS GENERALLY AFFECTS THE YOUNG AND MOBILE, ITS ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES ARE EXPECTED TO BE SEVERE AND LONG LASTING. THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN AFRICA WHO HAVE LOST ONE OR BOTH PARENTS TO AIDS EXCEEDS TEN MILLION. ANNUALLY, AN ESTIMATED ONE MILLION AFRICANS DIE FROM MALARIA. CHOLERA, DYSENTERY AND OTHER DIARRHEAL DISEASES ALSO ARE MAJOR KILLERS IN THE REGION, PARTICULARLY AMONG CHILDREN, REFUGEES AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED POPULATIONS.

5. THE U.S. AND EU HAVE AN ESTABLISHED RECORD OF COOPERATION ON VITAL HEALTH ISSUES. THE NEW TRANSATLANTIC AGENDA INITIATIVE ON HEALTH UNDER THE U.S.-EU TASK FORCE ON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES ESTABLISHED A FRAMEWORK FOR SUCCESSFUL WORK. IT IS IMPORTANT AT THIS TIME TO REEXAMINE AND REVITALIZE THEIR EFFORTS. WE AWAIT A RESPONSE FROM THE EU CO-CHAIR OF THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES TASK FORCE REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE EXPERT GROUPS (ANTI-MICROBIAL RESISTANCE, HIV/AIDS AND TB) AND TO ESTABLISH SCHEDULES FOR INITIAL EXPERT GROUP MEETINGS AND VENUES. IT IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT THAT THE U.S. AND EU REAFFIRM THEIR HIGH-LEVEL COMMITMENT TO DEALING COOPERATIVELY WITH

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HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN AFRICA THROUGH
COLLABORATIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS.

DEVELOPING A TRANSATLANTIC FRAMEWORK

6. IT IS TIME THAT THE U.S. AND EU RECOGNIZE THE EXTENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH PROBLEM DESCRIBED ABOVE AND REAFFIRM THEIR READINESS TO ASSUME A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES. WE SHOULD USE THE NEXT U.S.-EU SUMMIT TO STRENGTHEN OUR MUTUAL COMMITMENT TO FIGHT HIV/AIDS/INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN AFRICA.

-- WE ARE OPEN TO IDEAS CONCERNING HOW THIS RECOGNITION CAN BE ACHIEVED AT THE NEXT U.S.-EU SUMMIT. ONE SUGGESTION IS A JOINT SUMMIT STATEMENT CONFIRMING OUR MUTUAL AND RESPECTIVE COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS THE GLOBAL HIV/AIDS PANDEMIC. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS AN OPEN LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CLINTON, PRIME MINISTER GUTERRES AND COMMISSION PRESIDENT PRODI TO AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND OTHER LEADERS CALLING FOR ENHANCED COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE HIV/AIDS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE SITUATION THERE.

7. THE U.S. IS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF APPOINTING A PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY DEDICATED TO GLOBAL HIV/AIDS, WITH THE HOPE OF INFLUENCING OTHER COUNTRIES TO ALSO APPOINT SIMILAR ENVOYS. AS A GROUP, THESE ENVOYS WOULD INITIATE DISCUSSION OF ISSUES NEEDING INTERNATIONAL ACTION, SUCH AS HEALTH AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES, DRUG AVAILABILITY IN POOR COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING A HIGH PROFILE COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY FOR PUBLIC DIPLOMACY ON HIV/AIDS CONTROL (SEE BELOW). THE ENVOYS WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE ACTION IN AT RISK COUNTRIES AND AIM TO EDUCATE FOREIGN LEADERS ON THE IMPACT OF HIV/AIDS ON POLITICAL STABILITY, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY. IF APPROVED AND APPOINTED, THE U.S. ENVOY WOULD NEED TO WORK WITH COUNTERPART SENIOR OFFICIALS OR ENVOYS FROM CONCERNED COUNTRIES AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

-- IF AN ENVOY IS APPOINTED WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, WOULD THE EU BE PREPARED TO WORK WITH THE U.S. ON A DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVE OF THIS TYPE AND AS PROPOSED EARLIER TARGETING THE SADC COUNTRIES HARDEST HIT BY THE HIV/AIDS PANDEMIC.

-- IT SHOULD BE EMPHASIZED THAT MANY OPERATIONAL DETAILS OF ORGANIZING AND APPOINTING THE ENVOY REMAIN TO BE

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DETERMINED. BECAUSE THE CONCEPT OF A PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY MAY CHANGE SUBSTANTIALLY DURING THE INTERAGENCY PROCESS, WE CAN ONLY DISCUSS THIS CONCEPT IN GENERAL TERMS.

-- WE ARE INTERESTED IN FURTHER EXPLORATION OF COLLABORATIVE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN THE SADC REGION, AS PROPOSED BY THE U.S. IN RECENT MEETINGS BETWEEN THE U.S.-EU TASK FORCE ON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES CO-CHAIRS.

MOBILIZING RESOURCES

8. THE U.S. AND EU RECOGNIZE THAT WINNING THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES WILL REQUIRE SUBSTANTIAL RESOURCES. UNAIDS ESTIMATES THAT IT WILL REQUIRE AT LEAST USD ONE BILLION ALONE FOR HIV PREVENTION PROGRAMS IN AFRICA TO STEM THE RISING TIDE OF INFECTION. BECAUSE OF THE INCREASING IMPORTANCE THE U.S. PLACES ON THE INTERNATIONAL HIV/AIDS FIGHT, IT WILL SPEND OVER USD 225 MILLION IN FY-2000 FOR INTERNATIONAL HIV/AIDS PREVENTION AND CARE PROGRAMS ALONE. THIS FIGURE DOES NOT INCLUDE RESEARCH FUNDING. THE U.S., AS A MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, ENCOURAGES THE EU TO CONTINUE PROVIDING GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT. THE IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, HOWEVER, IS NOT A PREREQUISITE AT THIS TIME FOR THE LAUNCH OF A NEW HIV/AIDS INITIATIVE. THE U.S. SEEKS FOREMOST TO USE ITS WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE EU TO IMPROVE THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL COMMITMENT TO ENHANCE AFRICAN NATION'S ABILITY TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES OF HIV/AIDS.

--- WE WELCOME INFORMATION ON CURRENT EU SUPPORT FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES, BOTH IN AFRICA AND ELSEWHERE. A FULL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WILL ENABLE US TO DEMONSTRATE TO OTHERS THE STRENGTH OF OUR JOINT COMMITMENT. THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND CARE ACTIVITIES FOR HIV/AIDS WILL ALSO ALLOW US TO FOCUS NEW EFFORTS ON INTERNATIONAL NEEDS AND GAPS.

-- THE U.S. WOULD BE PLEASED TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO EU OFFICIALS THE RECENT NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATE ENTITLED "THE GLOBAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE THREAT AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE UNITED STATES". THIS REPORT, WRITTEN BY THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE COUNCIL, SUCCINCTLY CHARACTERIZES THE MULTI-DIMENSIONAL IMPACTS OF INFECTIOUS

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DISEASES IN KEY AREAS OF THE WORLD AND DELINEATES THE THREAT TO ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SYSTEMS.

9. AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE U.S.-EU APPROACH WILL BE WORKING TOGETHER TO LEVERAGE SUPPORT FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL FORA. THE YEAR 2000 IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF THE STRONG G-8 ENGAGEMENT WITH THE GLOBAL HIV/AIDS CRISIS. WE HOPE THE U.S. AND ITS EUROPEAN ALLIES WILL WORK JOINTLY FOR A COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT OF HIV/AIDS ISSUES AT THE G-8 SUMMIT IN OKINAWA. THE U.S. AND EU CAN ALSO EXAMINE WAYS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR SUPPORT FOR UNAIDS' AND THE WORLD BANK'S INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGAINST AIDS IN AFRICA. WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO ENCOURAGE MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS TO DEDICATE ADDITIONAL CONCESSIONARY LOANS TO EXPAND IMMUNIZATION AND PREVENT AND TREAT INFECTIOUS DISEASES, INCLUDING HIV/AIDS. WE MAY ALSO WISH TO DISCUSS WAYS TO ENCOURAGE HIGHLY INDEBTED POOR COUNTRIES (HIPC) TO USE, AS A PRIORITY, THEIR DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS FOR HIV/AIDS PREVENTION AND CARE ACTIVITIES AND OTHER MEASURES DIRECTED AT INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

REINFORCING POLITICAL WILL

10. A CRITICAL ELEMENT WILL BE FOR THE U.S. AND EU TO DEMONSTRATE SOLIDARITY WITH HIGHLY IMPACTED DEVELOPING NATIONS AND TO FOSTER INCREASED POLITICAL AND SOCIETAL COMMITMENT TO COMBAT HIV/AIDS AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES. AT THE NEXT SUMMIT AND BEYOND, U.S. AND EU LEADERS MUST ENCOURAGE NATIONAL ACTION. THEY CAN ALSO GIVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO THOSE AFRICAN NATIONS, SUCH AS UGANDA AND SENEGAL, WHERE IMPORTANT COMMITMENTS TO DEVELOPING MORE EFFECTIVE HIV PREVENTION PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN MADE. A JOINT U.S.-EU STRATEGY SHOULD ALSO UTILIZE THE TOOLS OF PUBLIC DIPLOMACY TO ENCOURAGE AFRICAN PARTNERS TO BUILD OR STRENGTHEN NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURES AND TO DEVELOP EFFECTIVE HIV/AIDS EDUCATION AND PREVENTION/MITIGATION.

WEAPONS IN THE FIGHT

11. A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY WILL ALSO REQUIRE MAKING SURE THAT DRUGS, VACCINES AND OTHER HEALTH SERVICES ARE MADE ACCESSIBLE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN AFRICA. AT THE SAME TIME WE ARE COGNIZANT OF THE CRITICAL RESEARCH AND

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DEVELOPMENT UNDERTAKEN BY PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC AND WILL WORK TOGETHER TO SAFEGUARD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS. THE U.S. AND EU CAN BEGIN TO EXPLORE HARMONIZED WAYS TO MAKE VACCINES DEVELOPED FOR HIV/AIDS AND OTHER DISEASES SUCH AS TB AND MALARIA MORE WIDELY AVAILABLE TO THE MOST NEEDY. OUR JOINT EFFORTS CAN ALSO EXPLORE WAYS TO INCORPORATE THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH. WE CAN ALSO AGREE ON GUIDELINES FOR SHARING THE LATEST INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS ON EFFECTIVE ANTI HIV/AIDS STRATEGIES. WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THE GLOBAL INITIATIVE ON VACCINES.

A JOINT PROGRAM

12. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT THESE EFFORTS WILL EXTEND BEYOND THE PORTUGUESE PRESIDENCY. WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY A SPECIAL AREA OR PARTICULAR PROJECT WHERE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER WITH THE EU ON SOME ASPECT OF THE HIV/AIDS PROBLEM. IN THE PAST, THE U.S. AND THE EU HAVE DISCUSSED AND EXCHANGED INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS FOR HIV/AIDS SURVEILLANCE AND BLOOD SAFETY. WE HOPE TO USE THE LEAD-UP TO THE U.S.-EU SUMMIT TO DEFINE THE POSSIBLE PARAMETERS FOR A JOINT PROJECT OR COMPLEMENTARY HIV/AIDS PROGRAM.

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HIV/AIDS ISSUES FOR DEP. SEC MTS. WITH FRENCH AMBASSADORIssue

The French will assume the EU Presidency in July, and their support for enhanced US-EU collaborations on both the diplomatic front and in promoting greater political commitment by African leadership is critical to continuing US-EU collaborations which we expect to develop and announce at the June US-EU Summit. These efforts are central to achieving the objectives laid out by VP Gore at the UN Security Council on HIV/AIDS, where he called for enhanced international collaborations and global coordination.

Background

The French worked with the U.S. to have HIV/AIDS added to the G-8 agenda for the Lyon meeting in 1996. They have since supported doing more in HIV/AIDS in that forum. At the Birmingham meeting the French proffered the idea of a Therapeutic Solidarity Fund for HIV/AIDS, which they have continued to raise at subsequent meetings. Although the communiqués call for reviewing the proposals, there is little support for the creation of this fund, and continuing requests for supports for the effort should be finessed.

Bilaterally, the French have discussions underway with a number of African countries to raise their level of development assistance addressing HIV/AIDS. They are presently in discussions with CAR for AIDS research conducted by the Pasteur Institute and on a tri-therapy treatment program.

The French will hold the upcoming EU Presidency, and we would like them to continue US-EU collaborations which we expect to develop and announce at the June US-EU Summit. With the French taking the Presidency in July, their support for enhanced US-EU collaborations on both the diplomatic front in promoting greater political commitment by African leadership, and on the EU development assistance level is critical. We have approached the EU regarding coordinating our diplomatic efforts, and have received a favorable response, however, implementation would take place under the French Presidency.

TALKING POINTS

Following the UN Security Council meeting hosted by Vice President Gore, the US has begun intensified its contributions to the global HIV/AIDS pandemic.

We are seeking similar support and action from other G-8 nations, as well as from the developing nations themselves.

The Secretary of State launched a Diplomatic Initiative last year to increase political commitment among African leaders and their governments to take a more multisectoral approach to HIV/AIDS.

We have approached the EU Commission regarding US-EU collaborations in Africa, as a priority, to combine our diplomatic efforts in this area, particularly in the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) where we both have initiatives underway regarding HIV/AIDS, in some of the hardest-hit countries.

We should encourage enhancement of their public health infrastructure, addressing the human rights, and economic and other impacts of HIV/AIDS through a collaborative effort.

We are in the process of developing specific strategies for this collaboration. We look for the strong and continuing support of the EU Presidency under the GOF to assure the consistent and cooperative implementation of our agreed US-EU efforts to be announced in June at the US-EU Summit.

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Africa - HIV/AIDS/Infectious Diseases**Objective:**

- *Convey to EU our desire to make this a significant deliverable. Note our willingness to draft a joint U.S.-EU statement; and explore in greater detail opportunities for coordinated public diplomacy; and to discuss resource, research and vaccine development opportunities. **Present AID working draft paper for further comment and propose DVC next week.***

Background: The Secretary raised the issue of enhanced U.S.-EU cooperation on HIV/aids at the U.S.-EU ministerial in Lisbon on March 3 in response to Prime Minister Guterres' proposal to launch an initiative at the Summit for implementation during the French presidency. Commission President Prodi responded positively when the Secretary raised the idea with him a week later. He suggested including infectious diseases such as malaria as well. The EU made health, particularly HIV/AIDS, an important component of the action plan ratified at the EU-Africa Summit in Cairo on April 3-4.

Ten days ago we hared with the EU a non-paper outlining our thinking. The EU has said unofficially that it favors a Summit Statement on HIV/AIDS in Africa. They have also requested more specific proposals. The paper drafted by AID (although not a fully cleared document) offers additional ideas and specific programs. We should move to hold a DVC next week to sketch out the parameters of the initiative and begin collecting the elements for a Summit statement.

Talking Points

- The global scope of HIV/AIDS and its destabilizing impact on economies, civil societies, and military capabilities establishes the epidemic at the forefront of international security concerns.
- Confronting the disease as a security threat entails a broad mobilized response from not only the health community but from all sectors of society as well, including national political and military leaders.
- Concern over the spread of HIV/AIDS encompasses not only Africa, where the impact has been severe, but also in other countries and regions such as Asia and India. The disease will spread rapidly where public health systems are weak and the populations are not adequately informed or prepared to take preventive measures.

- In addition to HIV/AIDS, combating other widespread infectious diseases such as tuberculosis and malaria will also require intensified efforts. Of particular concern is the rise of multi-drug resistant strains that threaten our ability to control outbreaks with the current generation of antibiotics.
- We support the idea of a joint U.S.-EU statement on the dimension of the HIV/AIDS problem and a clear statement of willingness to make this the subject of our cooperative efforts.
- Prior to the Summit hope we to establish a common framework and to catalyze an international response to the crisis.
- Our goal is an approach that is comprehensive and complementary at the international, regional and national levels.
- The draft paper prepared by AID seeks to outline the aspects of a comprehensive approach. Including measures aimed resource mobilization, donor coordination, public diplomacy, vaccine and drug development, and the strengthening of political leadership and commitment.
- Propose that we make the AID's draft paper a working document for a DVC next week.

BCC Delegation List
(as of May 15, 2000)

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**ROAD MAP FOR THE BCC MEETING
May 25 - 26, 2000
Luanda, Angola**

OBJECTIVES:

- Obtain GRA commitment to develop a "peace strategy" and initiate reintegration program for captured UNITA cadre by July 1
- Remove irritants in the relationship: e.g., visa and work permit hassles for NGO workers and others; payment of debts owed to OPIC; better coordination with donor community; end to media intimidation, etc.
- Get GRA to identify its development priorities and explore potential for public-private role in reconstructing Angola
- Deliver unambiguous message: USG committed to BCC process, but GRA must move now to create environment conducive to open political debate and national reconciliation

Thursday May 25**9:00 - 9:30****Opening Session**

Scenario: The BCC sessions are scheduled to be held at conference rooms in the Prime Minister's office. **Foreign Minister Miranda** will open the meeting and make introductory remarks. Following this, **A/S Rice** makes brief opening comments and ask Gayle Smith if she wishes to say a few words as well. (Your opening remarks are at Tab C.)

NOTE: The GRA has told us that simultaneous interpreting will be provided for the meeting. In addition, Marcel Bouquet will be on hand to help out as needed.

9:30 a.m. BREAK**9:50 - 12:30 p.m.****Session on Political Issues**

Scenario: **A/S Rice** will chair this working group, assisted by **Gayle Smith** and **DOD Rep.**, which will be sub-divided into a

discussion of the *Military Situation/Internal Conflict and Political Democracy* issues (85 minutes) and *Regional Security Issues* (60 minutes). A 15-minute break at 11:15 is scheduled prior to the discussion on Regional Security issues.

The GRA will open with an assessment of the military situation and thoughts on ending the conflict. In response, **A/S Rice** commends the GRA for its military success and seeks to engage the GRA in the specifics of its plans for a peace strategy, weaning UNITA cadre from the armed struggle, dealing with UNITA/Savimbi, etc. The discussion then segues into the related issue of political democracy, elections, and civil-military relations.

The GRA has indicated its desire to brief on constitutional reform and the planned 2001 elections. In discussing the proposed elections, the U.S. delegation should probe GRA thinking on preparations for free, open, and credible elections; the creation of political space (including press freedom) for UNITA and opposition parties; the need for a demobilization and reintegration program for UNITA cadre; and preparation of a civil-military relations program in areas formerly held by UNITA. **A/S Rice** can call on **USAID's Catherine Nichols** to talk about USG experience in facilitating elections in other countries emerging from conflict. **Tom Bruneau** of the U.S. military's **Center for Civil Military Relations (CCMR)** in Monterey, CA, will also be on hand to elaborate on how CCMR can help shape a civ-mil program in Angola.

Following a break (11:15-11:30), the session resumes with a discussion of regional security issues--DROC, Congo-B, Angola-South African relations, and Angola-Zambia relations. It is in this session that we could also inform the GRA that, pending approval by the Government of Mozambique, we intend to include 2-3 GRA officials in judicial/prosecutorial training that DOJ plans to conduct later this year in Maputo.

12:30 Lunch (hosted by the GRA)

While the GRA has not scheduled any formal theme for this lunch, it can be used to continue discussions begun at the morning sessions.

1500 - 1700

Session on Economic Issues

Scenario: **Gayle Smith** chairs this session, assisted by **DAS Schneiderman**, **USAID's Verne Newton**, **USDOE DAS Calvin Humphrey**, and **Larry Farris**, **Cape Town representative of USDOC's Foreign Commercial Service**. At the GRA's request, representatives of the **U.S. and Angolan private sector** will also be present at this session (60 minutes).

The GRA opens the afternoon session with a review of its progress on economic reform, including a commitment to meet the terms of a Staff Monitored Program with the IMF. In responding, we will want to encourage continued progress on reform, and urge that the GRA also address the problem of corruption, including by participation in the next GCA Policy Forum Meeting in Abuja in October. (N.B.: *If the discussion on corruption is deemed too sensitive given the presence of the private sector, it might be possible to engage key GRA officials at a later time, or to raise the issue directly with President dos Santos when you meet with him on Friday.*)

Gayle Smith then turns to **Paul Hare** to lead off a discussion of private sector concerns -- impediments to investment, revision of the commercial code, trade missions, privatizing state assets, etc. (N.B.: *Gayle may want to turn to the USDOC representative from Cape Town, **Larry Farris** to set out briefly what the GRA must do by way of continued reform to attract capital to Angola. **Farris** could then ask **Paul Hare** to lead off a discussion of Private Sector Concerns.*)

Following a break (1600-1615), the session reconvenes with a discussion of potential areas for mutual cooperation and support (45 minutes).

Gayle Smith solicits GRA priorities in addressing obstacles to investment and initiates a discussion on potential areas in which the USG might be able to work with the GRA to improve the climate for investment. **USDOE's DAS Calvin Humphrey**, **USAID's Verne Newton**, representatives from the Office of the U.S. **Foreign Commercial Service** in Cape Town, and **USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service** office in Pretoria will be available at this session. Potential avenues for assistance include USDOC's Commercial Law Development Program, USDOE technical assistance, and possible USDA agricultural credits.

The GRA has indicated an interest in discussing Poverty Alleviation during this session as well. If raised, and given the limited amount of time available, the U.S. delegation should suggest holding the discussion until the final session on Day 2.

1700 First Day Concludes

1900 Reception (tentative)

Friday May 26**0900 - 1230****Session on Social/Humanitarian Issues (HIV/AIDS)**

Scenario: USAID's (Pretoria) Ken Yamashita would chair the first segment of this session (90 minutes).

The GRA opens the session with a discussion of its current assessment of the HIV/AIDS problem in Angola. USAID then suggests approaches the GRA might consider if it wishes to keep HIV/AIDS infections from reaching crisis levels, and outline USG HIV/AIDS assistance programs for Angola. **USAID's Verne Newton** then asks **Paul Hare** to describe briefly the USG/Private Sector proposal to help respond to the HIV/AIDS problem in Angola, following which there is further discussion of the proposal.

Following a break (1030-1045) **Gayle Smith** chairs the second half of this session for a discussion on the humanitarian situation and Angolan refugees (105 minutes).

The GRA believes that addressing the humanitarian crisis is one of its highest priorities and has devoted the largest chunk of time to this session. While the GRA will want to focus on additional USG support for the humanitarian relief effort, the USG should be prepared to review the extensive contribution of resources and expertise already committed to making the humanitarian relief effort more effective. We should be prepared as well to discuss continuing bottlenecks in delivering assistance (visa problems, poor GRA-donor coordination), GRA plans to resettle UNITA cadre who already have come in from the bush, and how the GRA intends to address development needs in areas worst affected by the conflict. **USAID/AFR's Verne Newton, BHR's Richard Ragan, OTI's Michael Marx, USDA Pretoria's Richard Helm, and Roger Thomas of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers** will be on hand to participate in this discussion.

12:30 Lunch (Amb. Sullivan to host)

1500 - 1615**Session on Post-Conflict Reconstruction**

Scenario: The purpose of this session is to get the GRA to focus on its responsibility in taking the lead to rebuild post-conflict Angola (75 minutes).

A/S Rice and Gayle Smith solicit the GRA's vision for rebuilding Angola and addressing Angola's development needs. Included in this discussion will be the need for the GRA to use its oil and mineral wealth for Angola's economic development, and the potential for a development foundation involving the USG, GRA, and the U.S. and Angolan private sectors to help in Angola's reconstruction. The GRA's plans for poverty alleviation can be discussed in the context of a concerted program focused on the economic development and reconstruction of post-conflict Angola. **DAS Schneidman, USDOE DAS Calvin Humphrey, USAID/AFR's Verne Newton, the Army Corps of Engineers Roger Thomas, Paul Hare and representatives of the U.S. Private Sector, and a representative from FCS Cape Town** will be available to contribute to the discussion.

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Conclusions/Closing Remarks

Scenario: **A/S Rice and Gayle Smith** and their Angolan counterparts recap the conclusions of the two days of meetings and agree on follow-up actions, and a notional date for the next BCC meeting (45 minutes).

1715 **BCC Ends**

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Attached is a very brief description on the State Department's and the U.S.' international HIV/AIDS activities. I apologize for the late notice but could you please clear by 4:30 p.m.?

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Thanks! Er, Lee

U.S. International HIV/AIDS Activities

U.S. Department of State

To raise the profile of global HIV/AIDS and foster political commitment overseas, the U.S. State Department launched a diplomatic initiative on international HIV/AIDS. As part of the initiative, Ambassadors and high-level U.S. officials at U.S. embassies abroad are instructed to raise the issue of HIV/AIDS at the highest levels of government and in the non-health ministries.

USG Funding and Activities

The USG is the largest bilateral donor of HIV/AIDS development assistance, investing nearly \$1 billion over the past 10 years in over 75 countries in the developing world. In July 1999 the Administration proposed a \$100 million Leadership and Investment in Fighting an Epidemic (LIFE) Initiative to fight AIDS around the world. LIFE focuses on 15 target countries (14 sub-Saharan Africa, plus India), with the most severe epidemic and the highest number of new infections. Under the LIFE Initiative, \$65 million was appropriated to the U.S. Agency for International Development and \$35 million to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for FY-2000.

The USG, through USAID, provides approximately \$16 million, 25 percent of the funding, for UNAIDS in its efforts to coordinate UN agency activities to prevent HIV/AIDS. This is in addition to the funding provided to UN International Children's Emergency Fund, the World Health Organization, the UN Development Program, and other international organizations to address various aspects of the HIV/AIDS pandemic. USG funding, approximately \$125 million in 1997 (**1998 figure???**), accounted for nearly one-half of the global multilateral, multi-bilateral and bilateral overseas development funding for HIV/AIDS.

USAID funding has directly educated more than 15 million people about the risks of HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections (STI); trained more than 150,000 people to educate others about HIV/AIDS prevention; distributed more than 200 million condoms; and expanded and improved STI-prevention programs in countries around the world.

The U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) supports more than 5000 research projects at more than 500 research

institutions across the nation and around the world. Total NIH FY 1999 international AIDS research funding was approximately \$58.7 million. NIH is a leader in the search for an HIV/AIDS vaccine, and with USAID and the Centers for Disease Control, leads development efforts of a safe, inexpensive, reliable and acceptable microbicide for the prevention of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.

The military HIV research program conducted a successful phase I safety trial on an HIV recombinant protein vaccine in Thailand in 1997. The clinical trial is the first of its kind to match the HIV vaccine to the HIV subtype of the population, and should lead to cooperative arrangements with private industry, other similar trials in Africa and a large-scale efficacy evaluation of candidate vaccines in 2001.

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GAYLE

FYI

PAT
PLEASE FAX
TO SANDY
THURMAN

Just in case you thought ALL the fun was in the Vineyard...

About 15 people today are protesting VP's drug policy in Africa... 4 chained themselves together on the stairs and were arrested (considered unlawful entry as they refused to move)... the group did not have a permit. A fifth person was also arrested for scattering pamphlets and pharmaceutical bottles. Chanting is continuing...



Paul A. Gaist
02/09/2000 02:47:22 PM

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To: Cheryl S. Bauerle/OPD/EOP@EOP
cc: pgaist@opd.eop.gov @ inet
Subject: RE: HIV-positive waiver processing cable

Cheryl - disregard first email on this - this is the one to use (full comments). - Paul

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cc: pgaist@opd.eop.gov
bcc: Records Management@EOP
Subject: RE: HIV-positive waiver processing cable 

Cheryl:

This is basically the same as the draft before, some of the text appears to have been simplified, which is good. There are several comments to make that pertain to the draft (both substantive (A) and editorial (B)). Hope they are helpful. - Paul :

A). As part of the panel physician letter, it states that the HIV-positive applicant must "establish" that (below are listed 2 of the three requirements):

- 1) the danger to the public health of the US created by his or her admission to the US would be minimal;
- 2) the possibility of the spread of the disease created by his or her admission to the US would be minimal

The text then goes on to say later in the letter that the applicant must provide "individualized proof" to satisfy requirements 1&2 listed above.

My question/point is two part, pertaining to this text:

1) how does the applicant establish minimal threat and what exactly meets the individualized proof requirement. While the cable has focused on easing documentation necessary to satisfy requirement #3, this remains a viable question. Now, #1&2 are not new according to the cable, so some clear delineation of establishing minimal threat and what constitutes individualized proof probably exists. If this information does not exist, it should be created. And if/when the information exists, it should be part of the information that is provided to the applicant through the physician. The cable does not address this point, which could

present a considerable barrier to applicants.

2) What exactly is the difference between requirement 1 and requirement 2? - namely, the difference between minimal danger to the public health of the US and minimal possibility of spreading the disease in the US. The spread of disease is the major factor constituting a danger to the public health? Is #2 a subquestion of #1? Are the "proof" requirements different for these two requirements?

B) Edits

Fourth paragraph of the physician's letter. Sentence as written, "However, refugees will no longer be required to establish, on an individual basis -- omit their ability to meet the third prior consent filing requirement." Needs editing.

At the end of the physician's letter, where the applicant is to sign, text reads, "I have been told how not -- omit to prevent the spread of HIV." Needs editing. •



Cheryl S. Bauerle
02/09/2000 11:31:34 AM

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To: Paul A. Gaist/OPD/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: RE: HIV-positive waiver processing cable

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"Cookson, Susan" <sgc0@cdc.gov>
02/08/2000 03:26:15 PM

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To: ""(RIA) White, Craig M" <c.white@state.gov>, "Cookson, Susan" <sgc0@cdc.gov>, Cheryl S. Bauerle/OPD/EOP

cc: "Cookson, Susan" <sgc0@cdc.gov>

Subject: RE: HIV-positive waiver processing cable

See BOLD below for changes, thanks, Susan

> -----Original Message-----

> From: (RIA) White, Craig M [SMTP:c.white@state.gov]

> Sent: Friday, February 04, 2000 3:38 PM

> To: sgc0@cdc.gov; cheryl_s._bauerle@opd.eop.gov

> Subject: hiv-positive waiver processing cable

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> message for Sue Cookson and Sandy Thurman (via Cheryl)

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> Susan (and Sandy), this is the text of the cable. It's going through the
> clearance process now, and fairly quickly within the Dept. Please take a
> look, and let me know if there are substantive changes we need to make.
> Thanks. (Sue, INS made some changes in the text of the letter to the
> physicians, but as far as I can tell they stuck almost entirely to their
> area of expertise, the legal/regulatory question of precisely how they
> have

> changed their application of the rules. So, I went with their changes. I

> hope that works for you.)(text follows)

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> 1. THIS IS AN ACTION CABLE. ACTION REQUESTS ARE FOUND IN PARAS 12, 19,

> AND

> 20.

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> 2. SUMMARY: ON JUNE 16, 1999, THE INS OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
> ISSUED REVISED GUIDANCE REGARDING THE FILING OF WAIVER APPLICATIONS BY
> APPROVED HIV-INFECTION REFUGEE APPLICANTS (REF A). (NOTE: OTHER
> IMMIGRATION
> CATEGORIES ARE NOT AFFECTED. END NOTE.) THE RESULT IS THAT HIV-POSITIVE
> PERSONS DETERMINED BY INS TO MEET THE REFUGEE DEFINITION NOW FACE A
> SIMPLER
> WAIVER PROCESS AND A GREATER LIKELIHOOD OF BEING ADMITTED TO THE U.S. ALL
> POSTS THAT DEAL WITH REFUGEE PROCESSING SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE NEW
> PROCEDURES OUTLINED BELOW. END SUMMARY.

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> 3. THE "THREE PRONGS" OF THE HIV WAIVER: INS-APPROVED REFUGEES WHO TEST
> HIV-POSITIVE FACE A THREE-PRONGED REQUIREMENT FOR FILING FOR WAIVERS OF
> THEIR INELIGIBILITY. THE FIRST TWO PRONGS DEAL WITH PUBLIC HEALTH. TO
> SATISFY THESE PRONGS, A PHYSICIAN MUST CERTIFY THAT SHE OR HE HAS
> COUNSELED THE
> PATIENT CONCERNING THE NATURE OF HIV/AIDS, HOW IT IS SPREAD, AND HOW THE
> SPREAD CAN BE CONTROLLED, AND THE APPLICANT MUST CERTIFY THAT SHE OR HE
> UNDERSTANDS, AND PROMISES TO ABIDE BY THE GUIDANCE. THE THIRD PRONG
> REQUIRES APPLICANTS TO PROVIDE PROOF THAT NO COST FOR TREATMENT WILL BE
> INCURRED BY ANY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT AGENCY IN THE U.S. WITHOUT THE PRIOR
> CONSENT OF THAT AGENCY. BEFORE JUNE 16, 1999, HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES HAD
> TO
> SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. THE JUNE 16 GUIDANCE
> INSTRUCTS INS OFFICERS TO CONSIDER THAT A REFUGEE'S ELIGIBILITY UPON LEGAL
> ARRIVAL IN THE U.S. FOR FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROGRAMS SUCH AS MEDICAID,
> REFUGEE
> MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE VARIETY OF SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THE RYAN
> WHITE CARE ACT NOW SATISFIES THE PRIOR CONSENT FILING REQUIREMENT FOR
> REFUGEES (AND ONLY REFUGEES).

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> 4. SOME THINGS HAVE NOT CHANGED: HIV WAIVERS ARE STILL REQUIRED, AND ARE
> STILL ISSUED BY AND AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE INS. UNDER SECTION 207
> OF
> THE INA, A REFUGEE'S INADMISSIBILITY MAY BE WAIVED ONLY FOR HUMANITARIAN
> PURPOSES, TO ASSURE FAMILY UNITY, OR FOR REASONS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.
> WAIVERS WILL BE ISSUED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

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> 5. BUT OTHER THINGS HAVE CHANGED: PRIOR TO JUNE 16, 1999, FEW
> HIV-POSITIVE
> REFUGEES WERE ABLE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING AN I-602 WAIVER
> APPLICATION, IN LARGE PART DUE TO THE DIFFICULTY OF SATISFYING THE THIRD
> PRONG. WITH THE NEW GUIDELINES IN PLACE ALL APPROVED REFUGEE APPLICANTS
> WHO
> TEST HIV-POSITIVE SHOULD BE ABLE TO SUBMIT WAIVER REQUESTS. THE CHANGE
> WILL
> BE SIGNIFICANT. IN AFRICA, FOR EXAMPLE, WE ARE AWARE OF SEVERAL HUNDRED
> REFUGEES WHO HAVE TESTED HIV-POSITIVE OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS, MANY OF
> WHOM ARE LIKELY TO FILE FOR WAIVERS. OF THE THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES TESTED
> AROUND THE WORLD AS PART OF THE RESETTLEMENT PROCESS, A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER
> ARE HIV-POSITIVE. VIRTUALLY ALL OF THESE WILL NOW BE ABLE TO FILE FOR
> WAIVERS. THE DEPARTMENT EXPECTS THAT MANY WILL OBTAIN WAIVERS AND BE

> RESETTLED IN THE U.S.

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> THE WAIVER FILING PROCESS

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> 6. BACKGROUND: REFUGEE PROCESSING VARIES GREATLY FROM REGION TO REGION
> AND

> POST TO POST, BUT THERE ARE CERTAIN CONSTANTS. REFUGEES ARE REFERRED TO
> THE

> U.S. RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM IN A VARIETY OF WAYS (REF B), OFTEN THROUGH
> UNHCR.

> BEFORE THEIR INS INTERVIEW, THEY ARE USUALLY PROCESSED BY A NON-USG
> ENTITY,

> USUALLY A JOINT VOLUNTARY AGENCY (JVA) OR THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION
> FOR

> MIGRATION (IOM). AFTER INS APPROVAL, REFUGEES MUST COMPLETE, (USUALLY
> SIMULTANEOUSLY), A MEDICAL SCREENING EXAMINATION, A SECURITY NAME CHECK,
> AND

> THE SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCE PROCESS, WHEREBY THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES
> (VOLAGS)

> THAT HELP REFUGEES RESETTLE IN THE U.S. OFFICIALLY SPONSOR EACH REFUGEE
> CASE.

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> 7. THE FOLLOWING IS A STEP-BY-STEP OUTLINE OF WAIVER PROCEDURES AS
> CURRENTLY ENVISAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT, INS, AND CDC, STARTING WITH THE
> MEDICAL SCREENING. WHERE CURRENT PROCEDURES DIFFER IN SUBSTANCE, POSTS
> SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY ARE CHANGED.

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> 8. THE TEST RESULT: WHEN PHYSICIANS RECEIVE THE FIRST, POSITIVE TEST
> RESULT FOR HIV, THEY IMMEDIATELY ASK THAT A SECOND TEST TO CONFIRM THE
> POSITIVE RESULTS BE PREFORMED ON THE SAME BLOOD SAMPLE. IF THIS

> SECOND TEST IS NEGATIVE, THE REFUGEE CONTINUES WITH NORMAL
> REFUGEE ADMISSIONS PROCESSING. IF, HOWEVER, IT IS POSITIVE, THE FOLLOWING
> STEPS SHOULD BE FOLLOWED. ONE VITAL ISSUE THAT COMES UP IMMEDIATELY,
> WHERE FAILURE

> IS UNFORTUNATELY COMMON, IS THE NEED TO WORK WITH THE REFUGEE WITHOUT
> SIGNALING TO THIRD PARTIES HIS OR HER HIV-POSITIVE STATUS. FORTUNATELY AT
> THIS STAGE THERE ARE MANY REASONS FOR A PHYSICIAN TO ASK TO SEE A REFUGEE
> AGAIN. (NOTE THAT ACCORDING TO CDC INSTRUCTIONS TO PANEL
> PHYSICIANS, CHILDREN UNDER 15 MUST/MUST BE TESTED WHERE PARENTS ARE
> HIV-POSITIVE, OR WHERE THERE ARE OTHER REASONS TO SUSPECT HIV INFECTION.)

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> 9. STEP 1, COUNSELING BY PHYSICIAN: CONFIDENTIAL COUNSELING OF THOSE
> FOUND

> TO BE HIV-POSITIVE (WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE SENSITIVITIES OF FEMALE
> PATIENTS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE PREGNANT) HAS ALWAYS BEEN REQUIRED BY
> CDC

> INSTRUCTIONS TO PANEL PHYSICIANS. ALTHOUGH MOST PHYSICIANS DISCHARGE THIS
> DIFFICULT DUTY, THERE IS ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE THAT IT MAY NOT ALWAYS BE DONE
> AS WELL AS IT SHOULD. TO ADDRESS THIS CONCERN, AND TO ENSURE THAT

> COUNSELING FACILITATES THE WAIVER PROCESS, THE DEPARTMENT AND CDC HAVE
> WORKED TOGETHER WITH INS TO PROVIDE A COUNSELING FORM FOR PHYSICIANS TO
> USE.

> THE TEXT OF THIS FORM IS FOUND IN PARA 20.
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> 10. STEP 2, COUNSELING INCLUDES INFORMATION ON RESETTLEMENT: BECAUSE THE
> HIV-POSITIVE STATUS OF REFUGEES ONLY BECOMES KNOWN WHEN THEY ARE TESTED
> FOR
> THE REFUGEE PROGRAM, AND BECAUSE HIV-POSITIVE STATUS MAKES THEM
> INADMISSIBLE
> TO THE UNITED STATES, PANEL PHYSICIANS NEED TO ADVISE EACH REFUGEE, AS A
> PART OF THEIR COUNSELING, THAT TO CONTINUE WITH THE RESETTLEMENT PROCESS
> THE
> REFUGEE MUST APPLY FOR A WAIVER. TO APPLY, THE APPLICANT MUST FILL OUT
> THE
> I-602 (THE INS WAIVER APPLICATION FORM), AND SIGN THE BACK OF THE
> COUNSELING
> FORM (IN ALL THREE PLACES). (THE PHYSICIAN MAY ALSO WANT TO RECOMMEND
> OTHER
> COUNSELING, PREVENTIVE, OR PALLIATIVE SERVICES TO THE REFUGEE. EACH
> PHYSICIAN WILL BE IN THE BEST POSITION TO KNOW THE HEALTH SERVICES
> AVAILABLE
> TO A REFUGEE THAT WILL RESPECT THE NEED FOR CONFIDENTIALITY.)
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> 11. STEP 3, FILLING OUT THE WAIVER APPLICATION FORM (I-602): ANY DELAY
> AT
> THE START OF THE PROCESS MAY COST A REFUGEE MONTHS OR YEARS OF WAITING.
> THESE DELAYS ARE DUE TO THE FACT THAT PROCESSING, IN MANY LOCATIONS,
> INVOLVES CIRCUIT RIDES (ESPECIALLY IN AFRICA), AND CAN IN SOME CASES PUT
> REFUGEES IN REAL DANGER (E.G. OF IMPRISONMENT/QUARANTINE OR REFOULEMENT).
> THE DELAYS ALSO MAY MAKE OBVIOUS THAT THE REFUGEES ARE HIV-POSITIVE. THE
> DEPARTMENT, INS, AND CDC ASK PANEL PHYSICIANS (OR THEIR ASSISTANTS) TO
> HELP
> HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES COMPLETE THE TOP HALF OF THE FRONT OF THE I-602 FORM
> TO AVOID THESE DELAYS. THIS IS A CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS PRACTICE. (THE
> I-602
> IS AVAILABLE ON INFOFORMS 2.15 FOR POSTS WITH THIS PROGRAM. THE BOTTOM
> HALF
> OF THE FIRST PAGE IS FOR INS. A PREVIOUS VERSION OF THE I-602 HAD A
> SECOND
> PAGE FOR HIV-POSITIVE APPLICANTS. NOTE THAT THIS SECOND PAGE IS NOT/NOT
> NECESSARY FOR HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES. THE INFOFORMS 2.15 VERSION ALSO HAS
> A
> SECOND PAGE SPECIFICALLY FOR TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS. THIS SECOND PAGE IS
> ALSO NOT/NOT REQUIRED FOR HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES, UNLESS THEY ALSO HAVE
> TB.)
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> 12. STEP 4, REQUIRED SIGNATURES ON THE BACK OF THE COUNSELING FORM: ALL
> THREE STATEMENTS ON THE BACK OF THE COUNSELING FORM, THE "STATEMENT BY
> PANEL
> PHYSICIAN," THE "STATEMENT BY WAIVER APPLICANT," AND THE "STATEMENT OF
> RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION" (TEXT ALSO INCLUDED IN PARA 20)
> MUST/MUST BE SIGNED FOR THE WAIVER PROCESS TO CONTINUE. THE FIRST TWO
> SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED TO SATISFY THE FIRST TWO PRONGS OF THE WAIVER
> DECISION, WHILE THE LAST ENABLES THE APPROVED REFUGEE APPLICANT TO MOVE
> FORWARD WITH PROCESSING. CDC WILL PROVIDE THE FORM TO PANEL PHYSICIANS
> WORLDWIDE. MEANWHILE --AS PER OUR CONVERSATION THIS NOW NEEDS TO BE

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> OMITTED POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO PASS THE ENTIRE TEXT OF THIS
> CABLE TO PANEL PHYSICIANS IN THEIR DISTRICTS, BOTH TO GIVE THEM A SENSE OF
> THEIR ROLE IN THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND TO INFORM THEM OF THE REQUIRED
> LANGUAGE. (SEE PARA 19 FOR DETAILED REQUEST).
>
> 13. MORE DETAIL ON STATEMENT OF RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION: THE
> REFUGEE SHOULD BE ASSURED THAT INFORMATION ON HIV STATUS WILL BE RELEASED
> ONLY TO THOSE (HEALTH AND REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PERSONNEL) WITH A NEED TO
> KNOW. WHILE THE REFUGEE IS FREE TO RESTRICT THE RELEASE FROM CERTAIN
> PERSONS, INS HAS INDICATED IN PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS THAT RESTRICTING
> RELEASE FROM A SPOUSE, FOR EXAMPLE, COULD CALL INTO QUESTION THE REFUGEE'S
> COMMITMENT TO CONTROLLING THE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE, AN ESSENTIAL
> REQUIREMENT OF THE FILING PROCESS. IF THE PATIENT REFUSES TO SIGN, THE
> PHYSICIAN SHOULD NOTE THAT FACT ON THE FORM, AND INFORM THE REFUGEE THAT
> WITHOUT HIS OR HER SIGNATURE, NO FURTHER WAIVER PROCESSING CAN TAKE PLACE.
> (ALL FURTHER STEPS DESCRIBED BELOW ASSUME A DECISION TO REQUEST A WAIVER.
> WHERE NO WAIVER IS REQUESTED, PANEL PHYSICIANS ARE STILL REQUIRED TO
> REPORT
> A POSITIVE TEST RESULT. THIS RESULT IS REPORTED TO INS, THE REFUGEE'S
> NAME
> IS ENTERED ON THE CLASS SYSTEM AS CODE 1-A-1 ("COMMUNICABLE DISEASE" --
> HIV
> IS NOT THE ONLY DISEASE UNDER THIS CODE), AND ALL FURTHER PROCESSING
> CEASES.
> IF THE HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEE IS NOT THE PRINCIPAL APPLICANT (PA), THE CASE
> MAY BE "SPLIT" ALLOWING NON-HIV-POSITIVE FAMILY MEMBERS TO BE RESETTLED.
> IN
> CASES WHERE IT IS THE PA WHO TESTS POSITIVE, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE FOR INS TO
> DESIGNATE A NEW PA AND ALLOW THE OTHER CASE MEMBERS TO PROCEED WITH
> RESETTLEMENT.)
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> 14. STEP 5, PHYSICIAN FORWARDS ALL THE ABOVE FORMS WITH THE OF-157: THE
> PHYSICIAN SHOULD MAKE A PACKET OF ALL THE ABOVE COMPLETED FORMS WITH THE
> OF-157 AND FORWARD THE PACKET TO THE USUAL OF-157 RECIPIENT. (THIS MAY BE
> THE EMBASSY, AN IOM OFFICE, OR AN NGO, DEPENDING ON THE POST. WE WILL
> CALL
> THIS ENTITY THE "OVERSEAS PROCESSING ENTITY" (OPE).)
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> 15. STEP 6, THE OVERSEAS PROCESSING ENTITY'S INITIAL ACTIONS: THE OPE
> PASSES ALL THESE FORMS TO THE INS. THE OPE ALSO INFORMS THE RDC (THE
> REFUGEE DATA CENTER) AND CDC FOR REVIEW THAT THERE IS A HOLD ON THE CASE
> AND A WAIVER
> APPLICATION PENDING.
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> 16. STEP 7, INS PROCEDURES: INS MAY REQUEST AN INTERVIEW OR ADDITIONAL
> INFORMATION IF ANYTHING IN THE FILE IS NOT CLEAR. IF INS DETERMINES THAT
> THE WAIVER DOCUMENTATION IS INCOMPLETE OR INADEQUATE, THE I-602 WILL NOT
> BE
> ACCEPTED FOR ADJUDICATION AND WILL BE RETURNED. INS WILL EITHER DENY OR
> APPROVE THE WAIVER BASED ON THE FILE CONTENTS. (IF THE WAIVER IS DENIED,
> THE REFUGEE WILL BE INFORMED. ONCE THE I-602 IS ACCEPTED, THE REFUGEE MAY
> FILE A "MOTION TO RECONSIDER" WITH INS.) IF INS APPROVES, THE OFFICER
> WILL
> PASS A COPY OF THE WAIVER APPROVAL TO THE OPE.

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> 17. STEP 8, THE OPE INFORMS THE REFUGEE AND THE RDC: THE OPE INFORMS THE
> REFUGEE THROUGH ITS CHANNELS THAT THE WAIVER HAS BEEN APPROVED AND
> PROCESSING WILL CONTINUE. THE OPE ALSO SENDS A REQUEST FOR AMENDED
> ASSURANCE TO THE RDC (THE REFUGEE DATA CENTER) IN NEW YORK, SEEKING
> SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCE FROM ONE OF THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WITH THE
> UNDERSTANDING THAT THE HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEE WILL REQUIRE SPECIAL MEDICAL
> CARE AND ADDITIONAL PREVENTIVE COUNSELING. (THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
> AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT (HHS/ORR) HAS FUNDED
> SEVERAL VOLUNTARY AGENCY AFFILIATES IN THE U.S. TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL
> RESETTLEMENT SERVICES TO HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES. AT THIS POINT IN THE
> PROCESS, THE CASE SHOULD BE RE-DIRECTED TO ONE OF THOSE SITES. (IN THE
> CASE OF
> A WAIVER DENIAL, THE OPE INFORMS RDC OF THIS DEVELOPMENT.)
> 18. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF OVERSEAS PROCESSING, THE REFUGEE AND HIS OR
> HER APPLICATION ARE NOW TREATED LIKE ANY OTHER. WITH THE MEDICAL
> EXAMINATION (AND WAIVER) COMPLETE, ONCE THE SECURITY NAME CHECK HAS BEEN
> COMPLETED AND THE AMENDED SPONSORSHIP ASSURANCE RECEIVED FOR SITES IN
> ACCORDANCE WITH THE OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT (AND AFTER CULTURAL
> ORIENTATION IF AVAILABLE), THE REFUGEE CAN BE BOOKED ON A FLIGHT TO THE
> U.S.
> AND GIVEN THE APPROPRIATE TRAVEL PACKET.
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> 19. TEXT OF THE LETTER TO THE PANEL PHYSICIAN FOLLOWS. EVERY POST IS
> REQUESTED TO DELIVER A COPY OF THIS TEXT TO EACH PANEL PHYSICIAN IN ITS
> DISTRICT.
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> BEGIN TEXT OF LETTER TO THE PANEL PHYSICIAN:
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> U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
> PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
> CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL
> AND PREVENTION (CDC)
> ATLANTA, GA 30333
>
> NOVEMBER 1, 1999
>
> DEAR PANEL PHYSICIAN:
>
> ON JUNE 16, 1999, THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
> SERVICE (INS) ISSUED AMENDED GUIDANCE REGARDING THE
> DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THE FILING OF WAIVER REQUESTS
> BY HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEES. WHILE THIS GUIDANCE DOES NOT
> ALTER CURRENT FILING REQUIREMENTS, IT SIGNIFICANTLY
> REDUCES THE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE REQUIRED OF REFUGEES
> WHO WISH TO FILE AN I-602 WAIVER REQUEST.
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> TO FILE A WAIVER REQUEST, APPROVED REFUGEE APPLICANTS
> WHO TEST HIV-POSITIVE MUST ESTABLISH THAT:
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> (1) THE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES
> CREATED BY HIS OR HER ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES WOULD
> BE MINIMAL;
> (2) THE POSSIBILITY OF THE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE CREATED

/ D.A. ?

> BY HIS OR HER ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE
> MINIMAL; AND
> (3) THERE WOULD BE NO COST INCURRED BY ANY LEVEL OF A
> GOVERNMENT AGENCY IN THE UNITED STATES WITHOUT THE PRIOR
> CONSENT OF THAT AGENCY.

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> UNDER THE AMENDED GUIDANCE ISSUED ON JUNE 16, INS WILL
> CONTINUE TO ASK ANY REFUGEE WHO TEST HIV-POSITIVE TO
> PROVIDE INDIVIDUALIZED PROOF THAT HIS OR HER ADMISSION TO THE
> UNITED STATES WILL NOT ENDANGER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (THE
> FIRST AND SECOND REQUIREMENTS). HOWEVER, REFUGEES WILL
> NO LONGER BE REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH, ON AN INDIVIDUAL
> BASIS, ~~OMIT~~ THEIR ABILITY TO MEET THE THIRD PRIOR CONSENT
> FILING REQUIREMENT. A REFUGEE'S ELIGIBILITY FOR
> FEDERALLY FUNDED HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS IS NOW SUFFICIENT
> TO MEET THIS REQUIREMENT AND NO SEPARATE DOCUMENTATION
> IS NOW--OMIT NEEDED FOR IT.

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> MEDICAL COUNSELING SHOULD, OF COURSE, FOLLOW
> IDENTIFICATION OF ANY REFUGEE WHO TESTS HIV-POSITIVE.
> WAIVER REQUESTS MUST BE SUPPORTED BY DOCUMENTATION
> SHOWING THAT THIS COUNSELING HAS TAKEN PLACE. TO SUBMIT
> A WAIVER REQUEST, AN HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEE MUST SHOW THAT
> HE OR SHE UNDERSTANDS HOW HIV IS TRANSMITTED AND IS
> AWARE OF AND WILLING TO TAKE THE PRECAUTIONS THAT WILL
> PREVENT ITS SPREAD. COUNSELING IS TO BE DONE USING THE
> ENCLOSED FORM "INFORMATION FOR THE REFUGEE WITH HIV."
> THE INFORMATION ON THE FRONT OF THE FORM MUST BE READ TO
> THE REFUGEE, AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT HE OR SHE
> UNDERSTAND IT. AN INTERPRETER MUST BE USED WHEN
> NEEDED. FOLLOWING COUNSELING, EACH HIV-POSITIVE REFUGEE
> AND THE ATTENDING PANEL PHYSICIAN MUST SIGN THE REVERSE
> SIDE OF THE FORM, INCLUDING THE "STATEMENT OF RELEASE OF
> CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION." A COPY OF THE COMPLETED FORM
> MUST BE GIVEN TO THE REFUGEE FOR HIS OR HER OWN PERSONAL
> RECORDS AND THE ORIGINAL MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE OF-157
> MEDICAL EXAMINATION FORM.

>
> AS A PART OF YOUR COUNSELING, PLEASE EXPLAIN TO HIV-
> POSITIVE REFUGEES THAT IF THEY WISH TO PROCEED WITH A
> WAIVER REQUEST, THEY MUST ALSO COMPLETE AND SIGN THE
> FRONT OF FORM I-602 (COPIES SHOULD BE OBTAINED FROM
> CONSULAR SECTIONS OF U.S. EMBASSIES). WE ASK THAT YOU
> EXPLAIN THIS SIMPLE FORM TO THE REFUGEE AND ASSIST HIM
> OR HER IN COMPLETING IT, AN ACTION THAT MIGHT SAVE THE
> REFUGEE CONSIDERABLE PROCESSING TIME. WHEN YOU SEND IN
> FORM OF-157, PLEASE ENCLOSE THE COMPLETED FORM I-602 AND
> THE COUNSELING FORM DESCRIBED PREVIOUSLY.

>
> THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL
> QUESTIONS REGARDING SPECIFIC WAIVERS YOU MAY CONTACT THE MEDICAL VISA
> ACTIVITY OF CDC
> AT 001-404-639-8109, FAX 001-404-639-
> 2599.

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> SINCERELY YOURS,
>
> TONY D. PEREZ
> ACTING DIRECTOR
> DIVISION OF QUARANTINE
> NATIONAL CENTER FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES
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> ENCLOSURES
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> END TEXT OF COUNSELING LETTER.
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> 20. TEXT OF THE COUNSELING FORM, WITH STATEMENT OF PANEL PHYSICIAN,
> STATEMENT OF WAIVER APPLICANT, AND STATEMENT OF RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL
> INFORMATION: ALL POSTS WITH PANEL PHYSICIANS ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO
> DELIVER
> A COPY OF THE FOLLOWING TEXT TO PANEL PHYSICIANS, EITHER IN PAPER FORMAT
> OR,
> (WHERE REFUGEE PROCESSING TAKES PLACE REGULARLY) ON DISKETTE. PHYSICIANS
> CAN MAKE THEIR OWN COPIES UNTIL THEY RECEIVE COPIES FROM CDC. IT IS
> IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THIS FORM IS A REQUIRED ELEMENT OF THE WAIVER
> PACKAGE.
>
> BEGIN TEXT OF COUNSELING FORM:
>
> (BOLD) INFORMATION FOR THE REFUGEE WITH HIV (END BOLD)
>
> IN ORDER FOR YOU TO COME TO THE UNITED STATES, YOU NEED
> TO UNDERSTAND YOUR HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)
> INFECTION, HOW IT IS SPREAD, AND HOW TO KEEP IT FROM
> BEING SPREAD. THE DOCTOR WILL THEREFORE PROVIDE YOU
> WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. PLEASE ASK ANY
> QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INFORMATION THAT YOU DO NOT
> UNDERSTAND.
>
> YOUR BLOOD TEST HAS SHOWN THAT YOU HAVE THE HIV. THIS VIRUS IS A VERY
> SMALL GERM
> THAT MAKES IT HARD FOR YOU TO FIGHT OFF MANY OTHER
> INFECTIONS. WHEN YOU ARE INFECTED WITH HIV, YOU CAN GET
> OTHER INFECTIONS AND DISEASES THAT OTHER PEOPLE DO NOT
> GET. THIS IS THE VIRUS THAT CAUSES AIDS. IT IS VERY
> IMPORTANT THAT YOU ARE UNDER THE CARE OF A DOCTOR AND
> THAT YOU FOLLOW THE DOCTOR'S INSTRUCTIONS AND TAKE ANY
> MEDICINES HE OR SHE GIVES YOU. HIV CAN BE SPREAD BY
> SEX, BY BLOOD OR OTHER FLUIDS OR LIQUIDS PRODUCED BY THE
> BODY, OR BY SHARING NEEDLES USED TO INJECT DRUGS. IT CAN ALSO BE SPREAD
> FROM A MOTHER TO HER FETUS (UNBORN CHILD) OR FROM A MOTHER TO HER CHILD
> THROUGH BREAST FEEDING.
>
> HIV CANNOT BE SPREAD FROM ONE PERSON TO ANOTHER BY:
> SHARING CUPS, FORKS, KNIVES, SPOONS, DINNER PLATES, OR
> OTHER SUCH ITEMS;
> USING THE TOILET;
> SWIMMING IN A PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL;

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| > (PANEL PHYSICIAN'S NAME) | PANEL PHYSICIAN'S |
| > | SIGNATURE |

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> _____

> (DATE)

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> (BOLD) STATEMENT BY WAIVER APPLICANT (END BOLD)

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> I, _____ HAVE MET

> WITH THIS DOCTOR AND WAS TOLD THAT I HAVE HIV. I HAVE

> BEEN TOLD HOW NOT--OMIT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF HIV. I

> UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO

> KEEP FROM SPREADING HIV. WHEN I GET TO THE UNITED

> STATES, I WILL SEE A DOCTOR WHO WILL GIVE ME

> INSTRUCTIONS, EXAMINATIONS, DRUGS, AND MEDICAL CARE THAT

> I NEED, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO SEE THAT DOCTOR.

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> _____

> (APPLICANT'S NAME)

APPLICANT'S

SIGNATURE

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> _____

> (DATE)

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> (BOLD) STATEMENT OF RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

> (END BOLD)

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> I, _____ HAVE NO

> OBJECTIONS TO THE INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS CONTAINED

> IN MY FILE BEING USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING ME

> AND MY ACCOMPANYING FAMILY IN SEEKING RESETTLEMENT OR IN

> RESOLVING ANY ISSUES FACING US AS REFUGEES.

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> _____

> (APPLICANT'S NAME)

APPLICANT'S

SIGNATURE

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> _____

> (DATE)

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> END TEXT OF COUNSELING FORM.

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> 21. THE DEPARTMENT THANKS POSTS FOR THEIR COOPERATION IN THIS COMPLEX

> TASK.

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