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National AIDS Policy

Correspondence Routing Slip

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From: Alfred W. Brandt, Jr.

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To Support Staff: _____

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NOTE TO RECIPIENTS

The attached copy of a letter I have received describes two exciting possibilities, - (1) free energy power systems and (2) the cure of cancer, AIDS and other diseases with weak electrical currents.

I believe the writer of the letter is a reliable researcher and scientist as evidenced by (1) the wealth of references to research by others, (2) his insistence on the scientific method and (3) his not attempting to establish an exclusive position in this field. I realize that entertaining these ideas ultimately requires an acceptance of an entirely new paradigm. But good science and the importance of these goals justify at least an initial suspension of disbelief to give these ideas fair consideration.

This letter is being sent to persons I believe would have an interest in one or both of these possibilities. If it piques your interest and you would like to pursue these ideas further I shall be glad to send you a copy of the letter's enclosures (comprised of 84 pages) at my cost of ten dollars for copying and shipping.

Alfred W. Brandt, Jr.
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Irvine, California 92612

(714)854-7895

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(205)533-3682 Ph/(205)536-0411 Fax

February 14, 1997

Mr. Alfred W. Brandt, Jr.
40 Rockview Drive
Irvine, CA 92612
(714)854-7895

Dear Mr. Brandt:

Inclosed is a copy, together with illustrations, of the new energy article that will be published in Explore! in three parts. In addition, I inclose gratis a copy of my paper in Journal of New Energy which shows that Maxwell's equations have always included EM circuits and devices which can put out more energy than what one must put into them to run them. Many decades ago, the electrodynamicists *arbitrarily* altered (symmetrically regauged) the Heaviside (Maxwell) equations, in order to more easily separate the variables, and this *assumed* regauging discarded the overunity systems. It is indeed strange that several generations of electrodynamicists and electrical physicists have apparently not noticed what this regauging did, and what the implications are if one chooses *not* to regauge in that fashion.

Asymmetrical regauging, then, is a *necessary* but not *sufficient* process for overunity circuits and engines. That is, it guarantees that one can get excess energy freely from the vacuum (every dipole does that, as is well-known in particle physics but not in classical EM theory), and one gets a free excess force to dissipate that energy. It is then up to the system designer to carefully arrange and time things so that the excess energy and its extra force will be applied to do extra work "for free," allowing overunity coefficient of performance to be achieved.

None of this violates the laws of either physics or thermodynamics; one has converted the normal EM system to an "open" system, freely receiving excess energy from an external, known source. In that case, nonequilibrium thermodynamics applies, and in that discipline *it is already well-known that such systems can exhibit overunity COP.*

As we explained, this is a sort of "preview" of my forthcoming book, which should be completed in about three months or so. I am already negotiating for its publication, and at least one important publisher seems to be very interested.

In the paper I also briefly summarize the rigorously proven (in France, late '60s and early 70's) fact that terminal cancers and most infectious diseases, as well as arteriosclerosis, can be cured. The Priore team included imminent scientists, such as Robert Courrier, Chief of the Biology Section of the Academy of Sciences and also *Secretaire Perpetuel* of the Academy. I have previously had a paper published in Explore! which also explains precisely how that highly unorthodox treatment worked and produce such astounding

results. *These results are fully documented in the hard core French scientific literature*, though no one could understand *how* the treatment worked. The approach, if redeveloped, would easily cure AIDS, even in highly advanced stages. Better yet, AIDS could be cured totally, from the moment a patient tested positive for the HIV virus, and prior to any manifestation of the symptoms. One would not have to "kill" the HIV-infected cells! The Priore treatment simply "time reversed" cells back to an earlier stage, genetics and all. In the case of AIDS, this would solve the biggest problem: How to get rid of the "AIDS factories" constituted by the infected cells. Further, in this country Becker et al. have proven this "cellular reversal" process by EM; Becker was nominated for a Nobel prize for proving that laughably weak DC currents and potentials could dedifferentiate cells and redifferentiate them. *That* work is FDA-approved, without anyone understanding how the "time-reversing" and "time-forwarding" fundamental mechanisms, and is routinely used in many hospitals throughout the nation, for horrible bone fractures that will not heal any other way.

We have a revolution in energy and in medicine that is desperately trying to be borne, but in the face of open and strong hostility from the conventional scientific community. There is not a single grant nor funding for a person who works on these fundamental *foundations* problems, and there never will be. And orthodox journals simply will not publish the work — and they never will. But today one can communicate in spite of the "gate guardians" determined to uphold orthodox dogma; the computer, the fax machine, the copier, and the InterNet have seen to that. So one simply goes around the gate guardians. Science still rigorously applies, however; the work must succeed or fail on its own merit. There is still absolutely no substitute for the scientific method.

At any rate, I have broken the initial theoretical mechanisms of both areas, and am publishing the results as fast as I am able to, considering the severe limitations under which I am working.

My apologies for asking prepayment for my copying and reproduction costs; but I am retired now and no longer able to afford such out of my more frugal personal budget.

The main point is that, in any case, the work must be scientific. There is no substitute for that, and experimental confirmation is also required. In both cases, I am happy to say, there is strong, complete confirmation. In free energy, the Lawandy experiment (involving the Letokhov-Lawandy effect, which is a case of the proven anti-Stokes effect, which latter is *well-known* for several decades to yield more energy out than one puts in) can be done by any science sophomore in university who has access to the laser lab, and it is very cheap. Patterson's work has been independently tested and verified by some three universities (and, without fanfare, by several government agencies). The fiber fuse goes every time, every place, and it also is a cheap experiment and well-documented in the literature.

Let me accent this major point: *Energy can neither be created nor destroyed*. When one does "work" or "uses energy," one has just as much energy left *afterwards*, as one had when one *started*! One has only "scattered the energy" or "changed its form," one has not *lost* an iota of it. With only a little cleverness, one can therefore *reuse* the same energy,

over and over, doing work everytime one "uses" it! *Nature already does this*; we still have every bit of energy in the physical universe that we had when the "big bang" went off. Not a joule has been lost, in spite of all the "work" that has been done on matter etc. since then.

The point is, from a single "joule" of energy, if one "collects and recollects" it a million times, one can obtain a *million joules of work*. There is no "conservation of work" law in physics! It is surprising that physicists have failed to realize the implications of *multicollection and reuse of the same energy*; instead, they seem to mostly formulate the "conservation of energy" in terms of "one collection and usage only" allowed! In other words, they use a "single-pass" system, instead of a "multipass" system as does nature, and express the conservation of energy law for that (assumed) system.

I should also have referred in the paper (and certainly will in the book!) to the magnificent work of Gabriel Kron, who was perhaps the greatest electrical scientist we ever produced. Kron applied full general relativity (and then some!) to electrical circuits, networks, and machines. He pointed out that there is far more going on in a circuit than what the normal theory allows. His long search wound up with almost precisely what I have much simpler said with my "bridge" concept. He also built at least three "free energy" sources (and called them true "negative resistors" at Stanford University in the late 1930s. Further, in the latter 1930s the Russians developed, tested successfully, and placed in the orthodox physics literature (in both France and Russia) self-powered parametric oscillators of multi-kilowatt output. The references are there in the hard literature for anyone to check.

At any rate, my work is heavily referenced, as you can see. Anyone can check my references, and see if what I have said is real or not. The experimental verifications that I say are there, will be found there by anyone who checks it out. This is serious science, not some sort of game.

Years ago in college I was also a professional country-western singer and guitarist. So if the good Lord is willing and the creeks don't rise, as Hank Williams used to say, we'll have overunity power systems and a great new medical treatment modality within the next two or three years.

Thanks for your interest, and I hope you like the papers.

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a/s

Very truly yours,



T. E. Bearden, M.S., Nuclear Engineering
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Correspondence Routing Slip

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Date Rcvd: 05-20-97

From: Roy Bowen
Family Support Services

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ **Reviewed By:** PLM

Assigned To: Elliott

RCVD: _____ **DONE:** 5/21/97 via phone

Recommendations/Instructions:

Sent copy of conference material
(April 17th sponsored by FIDRUS office)

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: 5-21-97



May 12, 1997

The White House
Office of Public Information
1600 Pennsylvania
Washington, DC

Dear Public Information Officer:

I am writing about the recently held Child Development Conference and related prepared conference materials.

Family Support Services is a multi-service, family based social service agency in Amarillo, Texas. We provide child care, parenting, counseling, and other services directly related to the issues of child development.

Because I have received White House mailing on The National AIDS Strategy, I am making an assumption that there were prepared conference materials from the Child Development Conference as well. On behalf of our board, staff, and volunteers I am requesting one copy of any such prepared summaries or materials. There was excellent news coverage on the conference and I know we would benefit from reviewing the materials first hand.

Thank you for your assistance in directing this letter to the proper office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roy Bowen", is written over the typed name and title.

Roy Bowen
Executive Director





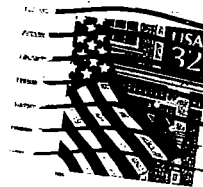
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From: Michael Imbrosico and Dimitri Nionakis
White House

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To Support Staff: _____

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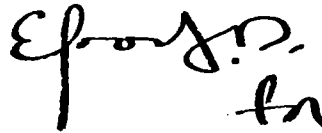
April 29, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR: **DIMITRI NIONAKIS**
Associate Counsel to the President

REGARDING: April 28, 1997 Request for Documents

This certification is in response to the memorandum from Charles F.C. Ruff, Counsel to the President, regarding the 4/28/97 Document Request. By signing this document, I am certifying that I directed all individuals in my office to search their files as well as the office's files. To the best of my knowledge, these files have been reviewed and all responsive documents have been provided.

Office of National AIDS Policy:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra L. Thurman', written over a horizontal line.

Sandra L. Thurman
Director

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 29, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR: SANDRA L. THURMAN

FROM: Michael Imbroscio and Dimitri Nionakis
Office of Counsel to the President

REGARDING: April 28, 1997 Request for Documents

On April 28, 1997, Charles F.C. Ruff circulated to all Executive Office of the President staff a request for documents. The request seeks a response by May 7, 1997. Please sign the attached certification by May 7 so that we can establish that all appropriate files have been searched.

Thank you for your cooperation.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 28, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR: EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

FROM:  CHARLES F.C. RUFF
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Document Request

This request is part of what have been extensive efforts to gather materials responsive to various document requests from outside entities. We ask that you conduct a thorough and complete search of ALL of your records (whether in hard copy, computer, or other form) that were created during the period January 20, 1993 to the present (unless noted otherwise below) for materials responsive to the requests below. Please provide copies of these documents in the manner in which they are maintained in your files.

PLEASE NOTE: Because this has been an ongoing process, some of the names listed on Attachment A are similar or identical to previous requests. Therefore, if you are certain that you have previously provided a document in response to a Counsel's Office request, please do not provide it again. If you have previously searched for a particular category of document, please update your search to ensure that you provide any responsive records that were created or discovered after your last search. Moreover, please remember that under the Presidential Records Act you must maintain all original White House or Executive Office of the President documents, including documents that are responsive to this and previous document requests.

Every employee is responsible for searching all of his or her own files and records to ensure a comprehensive search. In the White House Office, the Office of Policy Development, and the Executive Residence, each office head or Assistant to the President must certify that his or her staff has done a complete search. For all other Executive Office of the President (EOP) agencies or entities, the General Counsel (or agency head) must certify that all agency records have been provided. Appropriate search certification forms are attached for your use.

In addition, the Counsel's Office has been working closely over the past several weeks with the staff of the Office of Records Management, and they have been gathering responsive materials located in storage. If you believe files that you have sent to Records Management may contain responsive information, please let us know so that we can ensure that all responsive documents can be located. Thank you very much for your cooperation in this respect.

All documents must be provided by NOON ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1997 to Michael Imbroscio or Dimitri Nionakis, OEOB Room 125. If you anticipate any difficulty in meeting this deadline, or if you have any questions, please call Michael Imbroscio or Dimitri Nionakis at 456-7901 so that we may offer any assistance available from our office.

Please search your files and records for the following materials:

1. Any documents or materials:
 - a. Referring or relating to any of the individuals or entities on Attachment A.
 - b. Referring or relating to White House political coffees (including logistical issues, follow-up memoranda, memoranda recommending or proposing invitees, clearance requests for attendees, etc.);
 - c. Referring or relating to volunteers at the White House paid by the DNC and/or any other non-federal entity;
 - d. Referring or relating to any fundraising events during the First Lady's trip to Guam on September 4, 1995;
 - e. Referring or relating to the Asian Pacific Advisory Council (APAC); the Asian Pacific American Leadership Council (APALC); and/or the Asian Pacific American Working Group (APAWG);
 - f. Referring or relating to Executive Order Number 12987, which expanded the membership of the Commission on U.S.-Pacific Trade and Investment Policy (also known as the Bingaman Commission). NOTE: Responsive records do not include documents relating to the form and legality of the Executive Order.
2. Any documents or materials dated -- or if undated, documents created or received -- **after January 1, 1994:**
 - a. Referring or relating to the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and fundraising (including any documents related to DNC fundraising meetings or events, DNC financial projections or budgets, any DNC fundraising memoranda prepared by or that reference Harold Ickes, etc.).
3. Any documents or materials dated -- or if undated, documents created or received -- **after February 17, 1995:**
 - a. Referring or relating to Mark Middleton, CommerceCorp International, and/or any business you know to be related to Mark Middleton.
4. Any documents or materials dated -- or if undated, documents created or received -- **after January 1, 1996:**
 - a. Referring or relating to meetings or communications between Michael Cardozo and White House staff or individual donors -- e.g. Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie -- regarding raising money for the Presidential Legal Expense Trust;
 - b. Referring or relating to any communications or contacts with Occidental Petroleum Corporation (OPC) concerning business or investment by OPC in the Sudan.
5. Any documents or materials dated -- or if undated, documents created or received -- **between August 3, 1996 and December 31, 1996:**
 - a. Referring or relating to the White House Data Base (WHODB).

ATTACHMENT A

INDIVIDUALS*

Mi Ryu Ahn*	Maxine Lum Mauricio
Farhad Azima	Vivian Mannereud
Jerome Berlin	Richard Mays
Paul Berry	Warren Medoff
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Ernest Green	Stephen Riady
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Ken Hsiu	Ng Lap Seng
Jane Huang	Ma Ya Shih*
Jichun Huang	Fred Siegel
John Huang*	James J. Sun
Mark Jimenez	Lydia Surywati
Wang Jun	Roger Tamraz
Chupong (or Jeb) Kanchanalak	Richard Tienken
P. Kanchanalak*	Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie*
Pauline (or Pornpimol) Kanchanalak*	Wang Mei Trie
(aka Pauline (or Pornpimol) Parichattkul*)	Sarasin Virpol
Daungnet Kronenberg	Renzhong Wang
John Hoon Kyung Lee*	Xiping Wang*
(aka John H.K. Lee, Lee Kyung Hoon, or	Arief Wiriadinata*
Kyung Hoon Lee)*	Soraya Wiriadinata*
Alan Leventhal	Eugene Wu
Chong Lo	Eric Wynn
Grigory Louchansky	Melinda Yee
Gene Lum	Hsing Yun (aka Shing Yun)*
Nickie Lum	Keshi Zahn*
Nora Lum	Hongye Zeng
Tricia Lum	

* Individuals and entities which were the subject of previous document requests are denoted with an asterisk (*). For these items, please update your search for records created or discovered since January 9, 1997, the date of your last search.

ENTITIES*

America-Asia Trade Center, Inc.
Arkansas International Development Corporation
Automated Intelligence Systems, Inc.*
Ban Chang Group*
Ban Chang International*
C.K. Victory Investments
China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT)
China International Trust and Investment Corp. (CITIC)
China Petro-Chemical Corporation
Cheong Am America*
Commerce International, Inc.
Daihatsu International Trading Company
Dynamic Energy Resources, Inc.
Giroir & Gregory
Hip Hing Holdings, Ltd.*
Hsi Lai Temple*
Lippobank*
Lippo Asia (U.S.A.) Inc.
The Lippo Group (or any affiliates)*
Mid South International Trade Association
Poly Technologies
Poly Group
Prince Motors Co.
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San Jose Holdings Inc.
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RCVD: _____ DONE: _____

Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: 9/2/97

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Sandy Thurman
Director, National Office of AIDS Policy
US Department of Health and Human Services

May 27, 1997

Dear Sandy,

I wanted to write to clarify a few of our positions regarding the President's budget agreement. I had heard from Anne Donnelly of my staff that your office had been given the impression that we were calling for your resignation as a response to the budget agreement. Whatever its source, that is not the case. We never took any such position. We had heard that others were talking about such a gesture, but quickly decided internally that we would not join in such a call if it were to be made, just as we had refused to join in the call for the resignation of Kristine Gebbie a few years ago. As a matter of strategy, we don't believe that walking away is an effective way to fight in a crisis. So please be assured that this is not our position. No one in your role has ever had the level of access to the president you've been promised. We'd rather you stayed there and used it.

Secondly, I wanted to comment on the explanations given so far about why the President has agreed to drop most healthcare funding, including ADAP, Ryan White, HOPWA, the NIH, and AIDS in general from the list of discretionary domestic spending priorities. We know that these were on the "priority list" as recently as a few weeks ago. The explanations we've heard seem meaningless, more of the political double-talk the public has come to expect from Washington. The current interest in compromise with House and Senate Republicans makes little sense as a long-term political strategy. Promises that AIDS "will be taken care of" in some vague, undefined manner are no substitute for sound policy. We had hoped that a President who no longer needed to worry about his re-election would be in a good position to stand on his principles, to demonstrate his beliefs and values in his last term in office. Instead, we see him running even from positions he held in his first term. WE fear that his actions will be seen as a signal on the part of the national leadership that AIDS and health care are no longer important issues. If the president won't stand up for these issues, who will?

No matter what else happens on the funding front, it is absolutely critical that the Administration signal its support for the 1997 supplementary funding for the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs since this need is so clear, so immediate, and so easily understood by Congress. Eventually, we need a broader national discussion about the long-term funding of all these programs, but this isn't the time or place. ADAP is in crisis, today.

We hope that you will stand up for the principles that brought you to Washington in the first place. We urge you to take the strongest possible stand for correcting the budget agreement. We fear that this is but the beginning of a long and very slippery slope toward the elimination of AIDS as a major national concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Martin Delaney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Founding Director, Project Inform

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1997

Mr. Martin Delaney
Founding Director
Project Inform
1965 Market Street, Suite 220
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Marty,

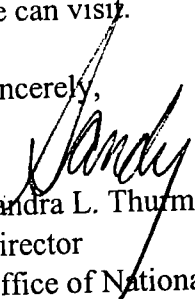
I'm catching up with some correspondence, and wanted to say a belated thank you for your letter of May 27th. I understand that Todd has called Ann about setting up some time for us when you're in DC in September. I hope that works for you.

I have been working quite regularly with Jeff, who has been very helpful. I'm also staying on top of the funding picture in Congress.

I also wanted to mention that I saw the op-ed piece from your agency in the New York Times on Sunday, and found it to be very thought provoking (not to mention well written). This is certainly a time for big picture thinking, so I appreciate the effort that went into raising the issue of "mainstreaming" AIDS funding.

Please take some time out from your next trip so that we can visit.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy



Fax Informa

Date: 6/2/97

Time: 10:36:12 AM

To: Sandy Thurman

Company: Office of National AIDS Policy

Fax Number: 1-202-632-1096

From: Martin Delaney

Company: Project Inform

For Info Call: 415-332-0184

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Sandy Thurman
Director, National Office of AIDS Policy

June 2, 1997

Dear Sandy,

I want to follow-up on a few conversations my office has had recently with your staff and to thank you for including us in the upcoming meeting. I'd also like to make a suggestion about your role in Washington.

On the budget agreement:

Our reasons for concern require no explanation. If an issue's presence on the list of domestic spending priorities doesn't really matter, there should be no reason for the Administration to say it was forced to change it by Congressional Republicans. Either it matters or it doesn't. The fact that AIDS was a priority on the agreement up through the middle of May says that it does indeed matter. If there are any factual errors in our press release, as we've been told by second hand sources, please offer a written explanation and we will issue a correction.

We are being asked to "wait and see" and told that the President will "take care of us." How can we help but see this as a well-meaning but empty promise, one we've heard many times before? Like the Congress, he seems hell-bent on balancing the budget as his highest priority. On what basis should we have faith that he will suddenly find money or justification that he couldn't find earlier in the debate? Vice President Gore now seems to be saying they will greatly expand Medicare coverage for early HIV intervention, but how can he reconcile this with the Medicare cuts they've also agreed upon? He simply will not have the means to do what he says. We support the proposal to extend access to treatment, but have questions about the mechanism. It appears to be another short-term fix. Doing this as a "pilot project" to save money is a risky venture. While there is some evidence that savings may accrue as a result of fewer people accessing hospital care, such figures are very short-term and have thus far reflected primarily the effect of treatment in more advanced patients, where hospital costs are already high. There is no data that even speculate upon the net cost effect when treatment is extended to people who are unlikely to need hospital care for several years anyway. Wouldn't it be more direct to say we're paying for the drugs to save lives, not money? Where will we stand if, in a few years, Congress sees that it doesn't save money?

Regarding your role:

It may be presumptuous for me to comment on your role. However, you are the third person in that chair and we've had a lengthy opportunity to see how they perform. You are already facing a key test, the question of "what is your role?" You went to Washington to become a spokesperson to the President for people with HIV disease. People who knew you assured us that you had the strength and the access to do what you said. Despite similar intentions, Patsy Fleming saw her role change, quickly becoming not the person who argued the case of people with HIV to the President, but the person who justified the President's case to the people with HIV.

You stand at a similar crossroads. You can either speak *to* the President, representing the interests of the HIV infected population, or you can become the apologist *for* the President to people with AIDS. We hope that you live up to your initial billing and choose the former. For example: is it the purpose of your upcoming meeting with a group of AIDS organizations to explain and justify the President's action? Or will you take this opportunity to position yourself as the person who delivers access and opens the doors? You could be the person who says to the President - *"People are concerned. I'd like you or someone from the domestic policy staff to hear what they have to say. Explain your position to them."* To people with HIV, you could be saying, *"I understand your concerns. I have questions of my own. Let me get the White House's ear on this for you."* People with AIDS don't need you to be a "good team player" for the President. They need you to make sure their voices are heard.

In short, we urge you to avoid the trap, so soon in your tenure, of becoming the person charged with justifying the President's actions. It is a dead end role that will quickly diminish grass-roots respect for your office. You can distinguish yourself, and redefine the AIDS Office, by taking an alternative posture.

On the practice of briefing only Washington-based national organizations on important budget issues:

We appreciate your willingness to include us in this meeting and recognize the tension that exists between inclusion and keeping a meeting productive. This issue of how to define "national" groups has come up repeatedly and we feel a need to address it from our perspective. We believe the phrase "national" should describe an organization's true patient constituency, and not simply mean it uses the word "national" in its title and keeps its offices in Washington DC. Saying "National" and keeping a 202 area code is the easy part. It is more difficult, and more meaningful, to establish a true national patient constituency.

Many of our "national" organizations define themselves as representing groups of service agencies. While this meets a recognized need, it is somewhat removed from being responsible to a true patient constituency. For example, you might ask any of the "national agencies" just how much of their budget is supported by direct patient contribution across the nation.

Project Inform has several tens of thousands of diverse, direct patient constituents and contributors, spread out across every state - men and women, gay and straight, children and adults, white and people of color. In many smaller cities and rural areas not served by a local agency, we are the closest thing many people have to an AIDS service group. Our Treatment Action Network is one of the largest grass roots political action networks on AIDS. It includes politically active people in every state who take action under our support and guidance. Project Inform people speak annually at regularly scheduled "town meetings" in several dozen cities throughout the nation. Moreover, we are invited speakers at medical conferences and regional forums wherever they occur. No other group we are aware of has such a wide and visible presence in these regards.

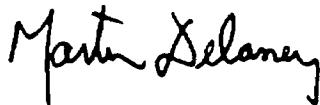
We take pride in the fact that we directly represent people with HIV and their families. We have no financial stake in the budget debates, only the interests of people with HIV. We receive no federal funding, from Ryan White, the CDC, or anywhere else. Similarly, we have nothing to lose by saying what is on people's minds. We are politically unaffiliated and have no stake in being "good" Democrats or posing for photo-ops with the President.

What is Jeff Bloom's role?

Jeff is a public policy associate of ours living in Washington, where he served previously in a similar capacity at the AIDS Action Council. He coordinates with our public policy office in San Francisco and serves as a watchman for us on DC political activities that might otherwise miss our attention. Like hundreds of other HIV-infected people who dedicate their time as to Project Inform, Jeff is a volunteer, not an employee. We choose not to incur the expense of an office in Washington and count on Jeff to speak for us in some situations and to alert us to the need for the involvement of other Project Inform personnel when needed.

We hope you receive these comments in the constructive manner in which they are intended.

Sincerely,



Founding Director, Project Inform



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Sandy Thurman
Director, National Office of AIDS Policy
US Department of Health and Human Services

May 27, 1997

Dear Sandy,

I wanted to write to clarify a few of our positions regarding the President's budget agreement.

I had heard from Anne Donnelly of my staff that your office had been given the impression that we were calling for your resignation as a response to the budget agreement. Whatever its source, that is not the case. We never took any such position. We had heard that others were talking about such a gesture, but quickly decided internally that we would not join in such a call if it were to be made, just as we had refused to join in the call for the resignation of Kristine Gebbie a few years ago. As a matter of strategy, we don't believe that walking away is an effective way to fight in a crisis. So please be assured that this is not our position. No one in your role has ever had the level of access to the president you've been promised. We'd rather you stayed there and used it.

Secondly, I wanted to comment on the explanations given so far about why the President has agreed to drop most healthcare funding, including ADAP, Ryan White, HOPWA, the NIH, and AIDS in general from the list of discretionary domestic spending priorities. We know that these were on the "priority list" as recently as a few weeks ago. The explanations we've heard seem meaningless, more of the political double-talk the public has come to expect from Washington. The current interest in compromise with House and Senate Republicans makes little sense as a long-term political strategy. Promises that AIDS "will be taken care of" in some vague, undefined manner are no substitute for sound policy. We had hoped that a President who no longer needed to worry about his re-election would be in a good position to stand on his principles, to demonstrate his beliefs and values in his last term in office. Instead, we see him running even from positions he held in his first term. WE fear that his actions will be seen as a signal on the part of the national leadership that AIDS and health care are no longer important issues. If the president won't stand up for these issues, who will?

No matter what else happens on the funding front, it is absolutely critical that the Administration signal its support for the 1007 supplementary funding for the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs since this need is so clear, so immediate, and so easily understood by Congress. Eventually, we need a broader national discussion about the long-term funding of all these programs, but this isn't the time or place. ADAP is in crisis, today.

We hope that you will stand up for the principles that brought you to Washington in the first place. We urge you to take the strongest possible stand for correcting the budget agreement. We fear that this is but the beginning of a long and very slippery slope toward the elimination of AIDS as a major national concern.

Sincerely,

Founding Director, Project Inform

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May 21, 1997

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President Clinton De-prioritizes HIV/AIDS Funding in Budget Agreement

Project Inform Blasts Action as Hypocritical and Disingenuous

Project Inform, a leading national HIV/AIDS treatment and research advocacy organization, reacted with outrage to news that President Clinton failed to negotiate priority funding for HIV/AIDS and other critical health care programs as part of the budget agreement. While publicly touting a new AIDS vaccine initiative in the media, the President has quietly reached a budget agreement with the Republican leadership in Congress that de-prioritizes most of the federal health care programs, including those for people living with HIV/AIDS. Moreover, the Administration has reneged on its commitment to support a request for Fiscal Year 1997 supplemental funding for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), which is currently unable to deliver drugs to people who need them in many areas of the country. This comes at a time when the Administration is poised to announce new Federal Guidelines calling for widescale use of expensive new treatments for AIDS. Refusing to fund promising treatment to those in need and de-prioritizing HIV/AIDS programs, while touting an empty HIV vaccine project with no funding attached to it, demonstrates the President's complete lack of true commitment to people living with HIV/AIDS.

Martin Delaney, Founding Director of Project Inform, said: "How can we see this as any but outright hypocrisy? Whenever the cameras are running, the President is posturing over his deep concern for the worldwide AIDS epidemic, wiping a calculated tear from his eye. But the minute the doors close, he engages in these unconscionable political deals with the Republican right wing. Why should anyone take him seriously when he proclaims his new commitment to an AIDS vaccine?"

The federal budget agreement, which sets the context for the budget resolution, outlines the programs that are considered national priorities. Programs conspicuously absent from the national priority list include nearly every federal health program. Specific HIV/AIDS programs missing from the list include:

- The Ryan White CARE Act, which provides care and treatments for people living with HIV/AIDS;
- The National Institutes of Health, which supports most of the nation's biomedical and behavioral research for all major illnesses;
- The Center for Disease Control, which funds HIV prevention programs;
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration;
- The Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS and other important health programs.

Programs which have priority are more likely to be protected from cuts and receive the funding they need in a climate of reduced government commitment to domestic investment. Programs which do not receive priority status will be forced to struggle for needed funding and may receive level funding or substantial cuts. Priority status directly reflects the Administration's and the Congressional leadership's commitment to crucial health programs.

"In light of the more effective treatments recently approved for fighting HIV/AIDS and the continued growth in numbers of AIDS cases, the government should be increasing its commitment to people living with this disease rather than de-prioritizing it," said Anne Donnelly, Public Policy Director. "Many people living with HIV/AIDS are unable to access promising treatments due to under-funded assistance programs. Thousands of HIV positive people are waiting for affordable housing in order to stabilize their lives and begin an

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of HIV positive people are waiting for affordable housing in order to stabilize their lives and begin an effective treatment regimen. Targeted prevention programs are desperately needed in communities where the epidemic is emerging and where it continues to devastate. New treatments are promising, but far from a cure, and research is needed to develop even more effective therapies as well as new formulations of the treatments that are now available."

In light of the evident need of HIV/AIDS programs and the administration's demonstrated lack of commitment, Project Inform asks once again that the Congressional leadership and Appropriations committee members, who have consistently allocated more appropriate HIV/AIDS funding amounts than the Clinton administration, once again step forward to fill the leadership gap left by the President. One way or another, the government must continue to prioritize the funding of these and other important health programs.

"It's a pretty sad moment for people with AIDS," said Martin Delaney, "when we have to call on our friends in Congress, from both parties, to help overcome the actions of a president who continues to break his promises."

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To Support Staff: _____

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April 29, 1997

Jeffrey Levi, Deputy Director
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Dear Mr. Levi:

I am pleased to announce the June 15th publication of *Fatal Extraction: The Story Behind the Florida Dentist Accused of Infecting His Patients with HIV and Poisoning Public Health*. As you know, this book focuses on the "Kimberly Bergalis" case, one of the most controversial episodes in public health, and offers a serious examination of the politics of and policies for HIV in the health care workplace.

You have been closely involved in this case and have your own special insights. I would thus be delighted if you might be interested in writing a review of the book. Your words -- kind or critical -- would help immeasurably to bring the full story to the American public.

If you are interested, could you please contact me? If you agree to write a review we will, of course, send you a complimentary copy. My publicist at Jossey-Bass, Kim Corbin, and I will also seek to publish your review in the most appropriate periodical and to assist you in any other way that we can.

This is a large favor to ask, I know. But I hope that your expert comments can help inform the public about this vitally important public health issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Rom".

Mark Rom
RWJ Scholar

P.S. Thanks for meeting with me last fall.

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Recommendations/Instructions:

Refer to FDA

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 2, 1997

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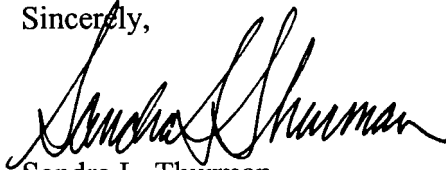
Dear Mr. Cabauatan:

I received your letter concerning your medical experiments which address how a virus strain can purify infected blood within the human body.

I have forwarded your letter to Terry Toigo, Associate Commissioner for Special Health Issues, Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20857, (301) 827-4460 to address your concern.

Please feel free to contact her regarding your request.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman
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- Terry Toigo
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May 5, 1997

Ms. Sandra Shuman
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Office of National Aids Policy
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ST # 600
Wash, D.C. 20503-1090

I am writing to you on a matter of great importance. I am requesting an appointment with you to determine my medical experiments, which address how a virus strain can purify infected blood within the human body.

EXPERIMENT 1:

I have knowledge of a primary medicine for a deadly virus called the Primary Virus. Any person whose blood is infected with this virus would be dead within 20 minutes without the application of this medicine.

EXPERIMENT 2:

The secondary virus is Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. The HIV positive individual would be treated with the primary medicine, which should produce positive results.

The materials, procedures and results should be seen and utilized by all mankind. I must have the patent in order to begin the work on these life saving experiments.

I anxiously await your response.

Sincerely,

Alejandro Cabauatan
Alejandro Cabauatan

P.S.

Experiments.

To be televised. Amazing.

How the medicine purifies the blood?

Alejandro Cabanatan
120 Conley Ave
Annapolis, Maryland 21403

Appointment requested as follows:

Certified Research fund in my behalf to experiment H.I.V. infected blood. I need a Scientist certified, who can extract AIDS VIRUS from a person who is really affected.

Certified patent to Experiment I & II.

To be televised, amazing. How the medicine purifies the blood.

The material, procedures & results should be seen & utilized by all mankind.

Certified responsibilities of The Government to safeguard me in my experiment I & II respectively. Such as securities, insurance & Lawyer, etc.

I anxiously await your response.

Sincerely,
Alejandro Cabanatan

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North Coast HIV/AIDS Coalition

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Recommendations/Instructions:

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but it's too early to schedule - blah blah

To Support Staff: _____

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May 30, 1997

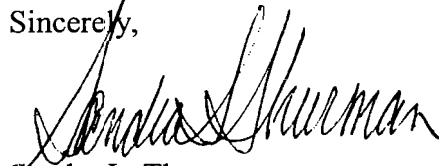
Mr. John R. Corlett
Advocacy Action Day Chair
North Coast HIV/AIDS Coalition
c/o The Center for Families and Children
1468 West Ninth Street, Suite 225
Cleveland, OH 44113

Dear Mr. Corlett:

I appreciate your invitation to participate in your *1997 Cleveland AIDS Walk* in September of 1997. Although I cannot commit myself at this time, I look forward to hearing from you again as we approach the date of your AIDS walk.

Thanks again and I hope to hear from you later in the summer months.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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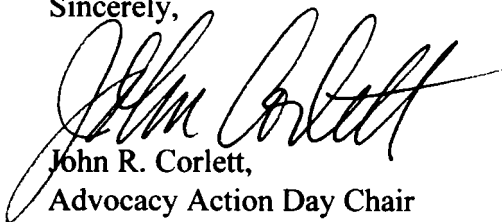
May 14, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, N.W., 8th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

On behalf of the North Coast HIV/AIDS Coalition I want to thank you for your excellent presentation to those participating in our 1997 Advocacy Action Day in Washington, D.C. last week. I am quite certain that everyone involved benefited from hearing the information that you shared with us. It helped make us better informed lobbyists as we visited the Hill that afternoon. Thank you for the work that you are doing on behalf of persons living with HIV and AIDS here in Northeast Ohio and across the country. Enclosed is a complete participant list as well as a summary of what learned during our Capital Hill visits. Finally, I hope you will be able to join us in Cleveland for the 1997 Cleveland AIDS Walk on Sunday, September 28, 1997.

Sincerely,



John R. Corlett,
Advocacy Action Day Chair

JRC:jg

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The delegation included representatives from 10 local organizations and 4 persons living with AIDS (a number of persons living with AIDS were unable to attend at the last minute). Approximately a third of the participants were people of color and half were women.

The first presentations of the morning began while the group was being transported from Baltimore, M.D. to Washington, D.C.. John Corlett, Director of Government Affairs and Advocacy for the Center for Families and Children reviewed the materials in the briefing packet and reviewed key issues that would likely be touched on during congressional visits that afternoon. Peggy Zone Fisher, AIDS Task Force Board Member, spoke about the importance of being advocates and the important role that volunteers play in the advocacy process.

Once we arrived at the American Red Cross we were welcomed by Diana Canova, Director of Government Relations for the American Red Cross. Each person present was asked to introduce themselves and talk briefly about what they hoped to accomplish that day.

Margaret Burton Owens, National Minority AIDS Council Policy Analyst, began her presentation by discussing the recent budget resolution agreement reached by the White House and Congress. She suggested that the process was driven by rhetoric, fantasy and denial and that the "priorities were unbalanced." She indicated that the current agreement could be traced to the budgets produced during the Reagan Administration which included large tax breaks for the wealthy and massive defense spending. She asserted that it was these two policy decisions which had produced the immense budget deficit that was now driving cuts in Medicaid, Medicare, and discretionary spending. She pointed out that Medicaid is the leading health insurer for adults and children living with AIDS. Ms. Owens focused particular attention on people with AIDS living in prisons. She stated that the percentage of persons with AIDS in prisons has risen dramatically over the past several years and that prisons are ill equipped to deal with health issues of people with AIDS. She further stated that only 25% of prisons mandate HIV prevention education prior to inmate discharge. Ms. Owens reminded us that persons of color are disproportionately represented in prison and are therefore more affected by HIV issues related to incarceration.

Gary Rose, AIDS Action Legislative Representative, began by challenging the group to do a better job of educating Ohio's Congressional delegation about issues related to HIV and AIDS. He stated that Representatives John Kasich, Louis Stokes, Sherrod Brown, and David Hobson were critical to people with AIDS. Mr. Rose remarked that Congress is responsible for authorizing programs, appropriating funds for them, and overseeing them. He stated that many of the current attacks on AIDS related programs were originating in House Oversight Committees. He informed us that the Public Health Service and the National Institutes of Health are on the verge of issuing new treatment guidelines for people with HIV and AIDS. He said that we shouldn't allow ourselves to be pitted against other illnesses ("no poor person for whom a drug is available should go without it") and that we need to build "large and loud" coalitions with related health organizations. According to Mr. Rose, ADAP is the fastest growing program under the Ryan White CARE Act. The average cost per patient has gone up six times in the last three years and the average time spent by a patient on ADAP has nearly doubled. He also informed the group about a waiver that will be available to Ohio and other states that would allow HIV positive persons to have access to Medicaid earlier. Mr. Rose finished by talking about reauthorization of the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA). He said that some industry forces were trying to do with the FDA what we did with the FAA - giving them two jobs (e.g. promoting the drug industry while at the same time insuring safety). He reminded us that Crixovan and other drugs were made available much easier because of the resources provided by PDUFA.

The final presentation was made by Mike Shriver, National Association of People With AIDS Legislative Director, who spoke about the important role being played by Representative Louis Stokes on the issue of needle exchange. He reminded us that Rep. Stokes chairs the Health Caucus within the Black Caucus and he was helping move the needle exchange issue within the organization. He also credited Fredette West, Representative Stokes's Legislative Director for playing an important role on AIDS related issues. According to Mr. Shriver we are "no where near lifting the ban on needle exchange" and that a lot of congressional education remains to be done. He commended Secretary Donna Shalala for her recent support of needle exchange, but pointed out that it was late in coming. He finished by reviewing Representative Coburn's "HIV Prevention Act" and pointing out that Representative Jim Traficant (D-Oh) was the first Democratic cosponsor of the legislation.

Over lunch the group heard from Sandra Thurman, Director of National AIDS Policy office within The White House. Ms. Thurman had been on board for only a week and we were one of the first groups she had spoken to in her new role. She stated that she saw her office as a "strategic command post" which would forge stronger community ties and get information in from and out to the community on AIDS and HIV related issues. She also wants to "establish a beachhead in the White House so that AIDS related issues are more likely to be on the radar. She commented on a recent Harris poll which found that the American public is much less focused on AIDS these days. She wants to begin framing AIDS for the country as a global epidemic. She is meeting weekly with groups like AIDS Action and others. Marty Hiller invited her to participate in the Cleveland AIDS Walk this fall. Questions were also asked about how people with AIDS whose health had improved could begin to work again without endangering their health insurance coverage.

The following is a summary of legislative visits made in the afternoon:

Rep. Sherrod Brown

The group met with Rep. Brown and J. Kevin Brennan (Legislative Director). We began by thanking Representative Brown for his leadership (we let him know that we had heard from national AIDS groups how helpful he was on AIDS related issues). He supports a "clean" extension of PDUFA and opposes the Coburn bill. He stated that he hadn't given the needle exchange issue much consideration, but was open to talking about it.

Follow Up Needed - Provide ongoing information about needle exchange issue.

Rep Dennis Kucinich

The group met with Rep Kucinich along with Michael Yarborough and Lisa Chamberlin (Legislative staff). He is opposed to the Coburn bill and has signed on as a cosponsor of an alternative bill sponsored by Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA). Lisa indicated that she had not talked with the Congressman about the needle exchange issue but seemed interested in getting additional information about it.

Follow Up Needed- Provide ongoing information about needle exchange issue. Send letter requesting support for a "clean" extension of PDUFA.

Rep. Louis Stokes

The group met with Fredette West, Legislative Director for Congressman Louis Stokes. The visit lasted for well over an hour and was very positive. Ms. West requested information on the percentage of persons of color enrolled in the AIDS Clinical Trial Group at University Hospitals (thanks to Terri Dew for following up - 22% are African-American and 5% are Hispanic). She also requested additional information on needle exchange programs in Cleveland and data in general about needle exchange. She is seeking wording to put into HCFA and HRSA legislation about training medical providers and the need for AIDS specialists in managed care organizations. She asked that we provide any information for HUD markup to Mark Lindsay. Ms. West was very concerned in general about minority access to all forms of HIV care. Terri Dew saw Congressman Stokes personally the following evening at a Health Museum program and she let him know that she and a number of others had been in his office on Thursday. According to Terri he was very supportive. John Corlett talked by phone with Fredette West the following Tuesday. She was impressed by the size and diversity of the delegation that met with her.

Follow Up Needed: Provide Ms. West with information that she requested on minority participation in AIDS Clinical Trial Group at UH, information on needle exchange programs in Cleveland, work with national groups regarding any needed language for HUD, HRSA, and or HCFA bills. Provide ongoing information about minority access to HIV care and services.

Representative Steven LaTourette

The group met with Representative LaTourette. He expressed his opposition to the Coburn bill and to Representative Coburn himself. He referred to Coburn being a member of the "Black Helicopter Caucus." Rep. Tourette called concerns about Medicaid cuts as being "premature" and was unwilling to make a commitment until he looked at the numbers. He expressed particular interest in the research, prevention and early intervention components of the AIDS budget. He seemed most interested in whether transportation was available for persons with AIDS in order to access services (this would be particularly relevant for his constituents in Lake and Ashtabula counties). The visit was a brief one and Rep. LaTourette seemed mildly interested in the subject.

Follow Up Needed: Send letter requesting support of clean extension of PDUFA, thank him for opposition to Coburn, and get additional information on how persons in Lake and Ashtabula counties access AIDS services.

Senator John Glenn

The group met primarily with Diane Lissey, the Senator's health aide. The Senator stopped by briefly to say hello and hear what the group had to say. We thanked the Senator for his support. While Ms. Lissey wasn't able to make specific commitments for the Senator she seemed to believe that he would be supportive of our agenda. She does need additional information on the subject of needle exchange. Another concern that was raised was how people with HIV/AIDS could begin to work again without endangering their health coverage through Medicaid or Medicare.

Follow Up Needed: Provide Ms. Lissey with information about needle exchange, send letter requesting support for a "clean" extension of PDUFA, follow up with any available information on any possible redefinition of HIV/AIDS disability status.

Senator Mike DeWine

The group had an appointment with Therese Lutz of Senator Mike DeWine's staff. We focused on trying to educate her about four issues (Medicaid's importance to people living with AIDS, the Prescription Drug User Fee Act, needle exchange, and Senator Nickle's version of the Coburn "HIV Prevention Act"). We asked if it would be possible for to set up a meeting with the Senator on the topic of needle exchange and it's relation to the HIV and drug abuse issues. Ms. Lutz was unable to make any commitments for the Senator, but she seemed interested and asked a number of questions. On the way out we ran into Laurel Pressler who is the Senator's Administrative Assistant and told her that there were 23 of us from the North Coast HIV/AIDS Coalition in Washington, D.C. that day.

Follow Up Needed: Send letter requesting a time to schedule a briefing for the Senator on the issue of needle exchange. Determine where key people in the substance abuse community in Ohio are on this issue and share that with the Senator.

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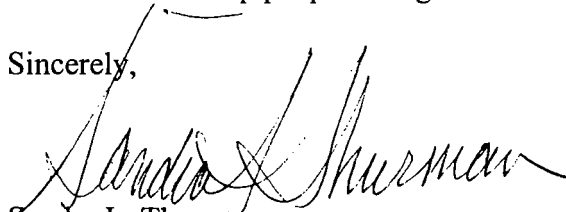
Mr. Randall S. Pope
HIV/AIDS Prevention and Intervention Section
Community Public Health Agency
3500 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
PO Box 30035
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. Pope:

Thank you for your invitation to address the Community Public Health Agency Annual HIV/STD Conference in December. Unfortunately, I have a scheduling conflict and will be unable to attend. I would appreciate and information you can provide me regarding your meeting.

I certainly enjoyed meeting you as well during the National Association of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD) meeting here in Washington, D.C. I look forward to working with you at the Community Public Health Agency and NASTAD help people living with HIV and AIDS.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy



JOHN ENGLER, Governor

COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY

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May 5, 1997

Sandra Thurman, Director
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th St., NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Sandy:

It was a pleasure to meet with you last week. I found our conversation thought provoking and stimulating, and I again wish you my very best as you undertake this new and challenging position. I also want to personally thank you for coming to the closing session of the Sixth Annual Meeting of the National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors. Your candor and plans for your office were well received. NASTAD looks forward to assisting you in your efforts to keep this epidemic very visible in the White House and Congress.

I am writing to request that you speak at our annual STD/HIV update conference in December. It would be a great opportunity for our folks here in Michigan to hear your Washington perspective on the epidemic. We expect about 300 prevention and care specialists at the conference, which is December 3-5, 1997 in Detroit. We would love to have you close the conference at lunch on December 5. Please let me know at your earliest convenience whether you are available. I can be reached at (517) 335-8468 or e-mail at poper@state.mi.us.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and I look forward to a continued and productive working relationship with you.

Sincerely,

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Randall S. Pope
HIV/AIDS Prevention and Intervention Section

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Women's Institute on Sport and Education

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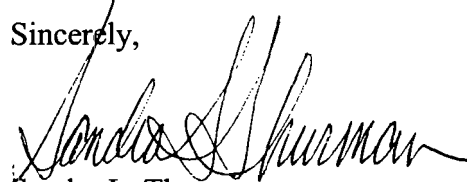
Ms. Laurel A. Dagnon
Executive Director
Women's Institute on Sport and Education
PO Box 11
Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Dear Ms. Dagnon:

I appreciate your invitation to participate in the "*Of Primary Concern: Health and the Female*" symposium in February of 1998. Although I cannot committ myself at this time, I look forward to hearing from you again as we get closer to your event.

Again, thank you for the invitation, and I look forward to hearing from you later this year.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy



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Ms. Sandra L. Thurman, Director
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Thurman,

It is with great pleasure that I extend an invitation to you to participate in the Women's Institute on Sport and Education's 1998 National Girls and Women in Sport Symposium entitled ***"Of Primary Concern: Health and the Female."***

The Symposium, although national in title, is international in reputation - bringing presenters and participants from Europe, Canada, South America and Australia together for the exchange of information on issues pertaining to girls and women in health, education and sport.

In conjunction with the Symposium, the Institute each year
"pays special tribute to women who have opened up new playing fields for girls and women, and who, against many odds, have risked and gained for us all, new visions of the possible."

This recognition is accomplished through induction into the Women's Institute on Sport and Education's Hall of Fame.

The induction will be presented in conjunction with the 7th Annual National Girls and Women in Sport Symposium, February 6, 1998, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Scheduled for induction in 1998 are:

Ms. Marjorie Albohm
Dr. Joycelyn Elders
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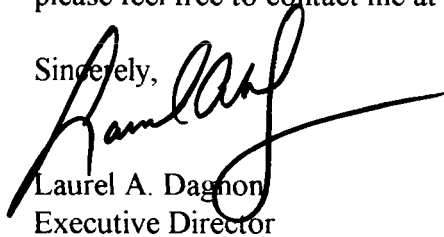
Ms. Robin Roberts of ABC Sports/ESPN is scheduled to MC the ceremony.

In addition, a Proclamation by President Clinton naming February 7th as "**National Girls' and Women's Health Awareness Day**" will take place at the Symposium. (Both the First Lady and Mrs. Gore have been invited.) **Rosie O'Donnell** and **Marlo Thomas** have been selected as Honorary National Co-chairs for "**Health Awareness Day.**"

I have extended the invitation to you in hopes that your schedule will permit you to be part of our program. The Symposium will be February 6 - 8, 1998. If one of these dates is more suitable to your schedule than another, we would be pleased to make any changes necessary to have you present at this important girls' and women's health event.

I appreciate your consideration of this invitation. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at (412) 738-2030.

Sincerely,



Laurel A. Dagnon
Executive Director

P.S. Congratulations on your recent appointment as Director of the White House Office of National AIDS Policy.

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AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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May 27, 1997

Mr. James E. Rawlings
Chairperson
AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc.
1312 Chapel St.
New Haven, CT 06511

Dear Mr. Rawlings:

Thank you for your invitation to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Day Program for AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc. Unfortunately, I will be traveling that day and will be unable to join you.

I appreciate all that you and AIDS Interfaith Network have done and continue to do in response to this epidemic including your educational and prevention programs.

My best wishes for you and the new Day Program at AIDS Interfaith Network.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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INTERFAITH NETWORK, INC.

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Anne-Marie Brungard, Executive Director

May 13, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, N.W.
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

I am writing to request the honor of your presence at a special ribbon cutting ceremony for a new Day Program for AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc., a community based AIDS program in the City of New Haven, Connecticut scheduled for June 6, 1997.

Last year we invited Ms. Patsy Fleming to attend our Gala Ball, a fund-raiser for this new facility, and now we are in the process of opening our Day Program for citizens of The Greater New Haven community who are infected and affected by the HIV disease within our community. In viewing today's Associated Press release, it noted that many centers across the Northeast continue to have high rates of AIDS cases, whereas, New Haven has reduced their rate of AIDS cases. I think it would be very appropriate to view the kind of initiatives that the City of New Haven have mobilized to respond to this epidemic through educational, prevention, and innovative programs. We believe the models of care in New Haven are unique and can present models of care that may be portable to other urban and suburban communities.

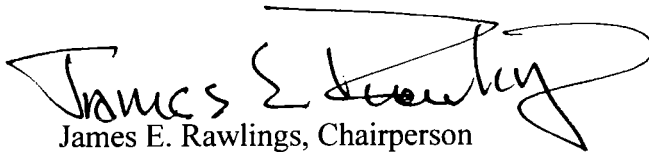
We hope you accept our invitation to attend our ribbon cutting ceremony to share with members of the medical and health community the views shared by

1312 Chapel Street, New Haven, CT 06511, (203) 624-4350

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the Office of National AIDS Policy relative to this epidemic and help us celebrate what we consider to be a success as we continue to mobilize and educate our community to protect our future.

Sincerely,

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James E. Rawlings, Chairperson
AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc.
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A DS rates high in Northeast

But New Haven sees case numbers decline

Associated Press

ATLANTA — The AIDS rate doubled last year in Baton Rouge, La., fell by a third in Dallas and held steady in New York at the highest level in the nation, the government said Thursday.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said it could not immediately explain the ups and downs but said that the increases do not necessarily mean the disease is on the rise. New Haven was one of the cities in which the AIDS rate declined.

The numbers reflect all cases of AIDS that existed in those cities in 1996, not just the number of new cases diagnosed that year. New cases are a better indicator of whether the disease is on the rise.

Behind New York City on the list were Miami and Jersey City, N.J., which also were among the highest in 1995. San Francisco, which had the second-highest rate in 1995, fell to fourth.

"This reinforces the consistent picture we are seeing — that AIDS rates continue to be the highest in the Northeast, Southeast and the West Coast," said Patricia Fleming, CDC chief of HIV-AIDS reporting and analysis.

In February, the government credited better drugs and treatment for a 13-percent drop in deaths from AIDS in the first half of 1996, the first significant drop in deaths since the epidemic began.

The CDC said then that the full impact of powerful new drugs called protease inhibitors — the mightiest attack yet on AIDS — had yet to be seen.

"In the next three months we should be able to look at some of the possible effects these therapies had on the cities' rates," Fleming said.

New York City had 120.1 cases per 100,000 people in 1996, compared with the 121.4 cases per 100,000 in 1995. Miami's rate of 99.4 was down from 114.8, and Jersey City reported 97.7 in 1996, compared with 138.2 the year before.

Several cities showed drops: Dallas' rate of 29.3 cases per 100,000 was down from 43.2 in 1995. New Haven had a rate of 37.3 in 1996, compared with 57.9 the year before.

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May 13, 1997

Sandra Thurman
National AIDS Policy Director
750 17th St., NW, #600
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman:

As a follow-up to our brief discussion in Pasadena, here is the information that I promised to send you on two of our new projects:

1. Healthcare Resource Allocation for HIV/AIDS and Other Life-Threatening Diseases

I have enclosed an update on this conference which we are organizing. It has the potential of being an important public policy conference and we are planning on continuing the conference every two years. The topic is similar to the subtext of the XII International AIDS Conference in Geneva and, as you can see from the enclosed outline, we are working closely with the executive secretary of that conference, Warren Lindner, on one of the principal panels. There is a reasonable chance that we may get the conference summary (the July 1998 issue of our *Journal*) distributed to the 15,000 plus delegates at the Geneva conference.

We hope to have most of the faculty in place by June 10th. Funding is coming primarily from pharmaceutical manufacturers. Whenever we get another pledge, we invite a few more faculty.

If it would be helpful or of interest to you, we can invite you to be a panelist on any of the panels that are not filled up. Please let me know if there are any topics of specific interest to you.

Also, you indicated that you might help bring in the Vice President. He is sometimes a "no-show" at these events. He recently canceled on an AMA ethics conference in Philadelphia. But ours is in D.C. and it is global with a few important people on the faculty.

Sandra Thurman
May 13, 1997
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Also, if you have any suggestions of other people to invite, or other topics to add, please let me know.

A side note. I thought that you might be interested in reading Bishop Tutu's statement about the conference. Bishop Tutu is the honorary conference chairman and we are trying very hard to have a strong African/American and African representation on the faculty.

2. Demi Mondaine

The enclosed announcement should give you some overview of what we are doing. However, the project is far more ambitious than the press announcement. I have enclosed a confidential working outline of topics in the July issue.

Hopefully, this publication will get some strong media attention after the launch. Would you be interested at this time to do a book review for the first issue? We would need it in three weeks. Just a short review (500-700 words). I thought that you might be interested in "Human Rights and Public Health in the AIDS Pandemic" by Larry Gostin. A copy of the dust jacket is attached in case you are not familiar with it. Please note that Larry is one of the faculty for the November conference and is writing a few articles on ethics for the *Journal*.

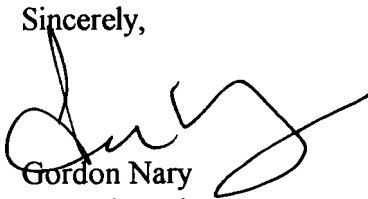
I have also enclosed a few back issues of the *Journal* and some sample consumer (patient) educational materials (we do them in several languages). We've distributed more than 350,000 copies of the protease inhibitor booklet, and we have a 4th edition in process. The combination therapy booklet has been out for two months and we have filled orders for more than 80,000 copies (just from our membership).

While I personally have not supported the need for your office considering the lack of staff and funding, you have brought some class back to Washington, DC. If there is anything that I can do to be helpful, please let me know. You have an open invitation from us to use the *Journal* to help advance your mission (you can have a regular column if you want one), or let us take some direct heat on more sensitive issues that might not be appropriate to have under your name.

Sandra Thurman
May 13, 1997
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I am in Washington about once a month. If there is anything that you want to meet personally about, just let me know when.

Sincerely,



Gordon Nary
Executive Director

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 Demi Mondaine Press Kit
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Sandra Thurmond, Director
President's Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street N/W, 8th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Thurmond,

I am sending you copies of the attached letters because the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) is going through a rather malevolent reorganization, and the employees are being kept in the dark as to whom they will report or whether they will have a job or not.

Unfortunately, my boss was just laid off despite verbal assurances from her boss that she would be able to keep her job for many years.

I am frightened. No one is telling me anything. Because I suffer from AIDS, if I lost my salary and health insurance, it would be the equivalent of issuing me a death sentence.

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Congr. Henry Waxman
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Leigh Trivette, Secretary
Regents of the University of California
300 Lakeside Drive
22nd Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Dear Ms. Trivette:

Please give a copy of this correspondence to each of the regents of the university.

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001b. letter	Gloria Allred to Patricia Jasper re: AIDS and university employment (Personal) [partial] (2 pages)	09/07/1990	b(6)

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Patricia M. Jasper, Campus Counsel
University of California, Los Angeles
3149 Murphy Hall
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Los Angeles, California 90024-1405

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Dear Ms. Jasper:

I am writing to inform you that (b)(6) suffers from AIDS Related Complex (ARC). He has received treatment for several years from a specialist in HIV-related illness, and (b)(6) continues to depend upon his health insurance coverage and the UCLA Medical Center pharmacy as the source for his life-prolonging medical health care and prescription medications. His survival literally depends upon his salary and employee benefits.

(b)(6) sincerely wants to continue to work in his current position for as long as his health allows. When the time arrives that his physicians determine that his medical condition prohibits him from so doing, he has a strong desire to collaborate with the University (b)(6) to insure the least stressful transition for all concerned parties.

Furthermore, it is (b)(6) wish not to create any unnecessary anxiety or apprehension among his co-workers and to this regard requests that you share this information only with

(b)(6)

Ms. Patricia M. Jasper
September 7, 1990
Page 2

Unfortunately, (b)(6) has no confidence in the University's various personnel departments to keep this information confidential, and I request that this information not be given to any such departments for as long as (b)(6) is able to work. I appreciate your compassion and understanding of this very serious and delicate matter.

Very truly yours,

ALLRED, MAROKO, GOLDBERG & RIBAKOFF

Gloria Allred
By GLORIA ALLRED

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Via Messenger

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001c. letters	From individual living with AIDS re: University employment (Personal) [partial] (7 pages)	05/14/1997	b(6)

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Richard Atkinson, President
University of California
300 Lakeside Drive
22nd Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Dear President Atkinson:

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University Of California Los Angeles
2147 Murphy Hall
405 Hilgard Avenue
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Ms. Ruie M. Arnett, Interim Asst. Vice Chancellor
U.C.L.A. Campus Human Resources
10920 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90024-6504

Dear Ms. Arnett:

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U.C.L.A. School of Medicine
10833 LeConte Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90095-1722

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Judith Rothman, Sr. Associate Dean
U.C.L.A. School of Medicine
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Los Angeles, California 90095-1722

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Mr. Mark A. Speare, Director
U.C.L.A. Medical Center Human Resources
924 Westwood Boulevard, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90024-1664

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U.C.L.A. Campus Human Resources
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Los Angeles, California 90024-6504

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LESBIAN AND GAY CONGRESSIONAL STAFF ASSOCIATION

May 28, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, N.W.
Suite 820
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

The Lesbian and Gay Congressional Staff Association sponsors a brown bag lunch series during which we bring in individuals to speak to us about issues of mutual concern to the Members of the Association and our invited speaker. Over the past two years, we have heard from Klaus Mueller of the U.S. Holocaust Museum, Congressmen Barney Frank and Jim Kolbe, Rich Tafel of the Log Cabin Republicans, Andrew Sullivan, Elizabeth Birch, Melinda Paras, Patricia Fleming, Dean Hamer from the National Institute of Health, and numerous other speakers.

We would be delighted if you would join us at one of these informal lunch-hour discussions. Although we frequently hold them on Mondays, at noon, we are flexible, and would be delighted to accommodate your schedule.

If you need more information, please don't hesitate to call me at 225-2697. Thank you for your willingness to consider joining us in our lunch series.

Sincerely,


Robert Raben
LGCSA Board

Office of
National AIDS Policy

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From: Robert Raben

LGCSA - Lesbian & Gay Congressional
Staff Association

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Recommendations/Instructions:

Schedule

(1) Schedule for
any Monday in
July — 2) Start at 2:00 PM?
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to talk about?
How long?

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

Robert Raben

7/21

12:30

2226 Rayburn

1hr. Brown Bag Lunch

20 - 40 Participants

Talk about office - as long
or as short

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May 27, 1997

The Honorable Sandy Thurman
National Office of AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

AIDS has become the leading cause of death among all Americans aged 25 to 44. Because more than 50% of the U.S. work force is in this age group, business and labor groups are becoming aware that they must prepare to respond to the epidemic. While new medications are helping people with HIV live longer and better lives and are changing the landscape of the epidemic, the threat posed by HIV transmission is far from over. The American workplace can and must be used as a channel to promote HIV prevention, just as it must be prepared to accommodate employees who currently have HIV.

To assist the nation in meeting this challenge, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is holding its first-ever National Business and Labor Conference on HIV/AIDS. On September 29-30, 1997 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., the nation's business and labor leaders will join public health leaders to address HIV/AIDS workplace issues for a ground-breaking exchange of information, ideas, and motivation. A gala dinner will be held on September 29 during which the National Business and Labor Awards for Leadership on HIV/AIDS will be bestowed. Vice President Al Gore has been invited to join CDC Director, Dr. David Satcher in presenting the awards.

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to participate in the conference as a featured speaker. We ask that you share the Administration's commitment to important workplace initiatives and your personal perspective on HIV/AIDS in the workplace. Our audience of 500 participants includes human resource managers, medical directors, employee assistance personnel, leaders from business, labor and trade associations, public health officials, and chief executive officers from across the nation. Your participation would help focus public attention on these critical workplace issues.

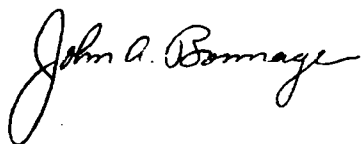
Enclosed is the latest conference agenda, which includes the plenary session topics which will be addressed. We would like for you to speak for approximately 15 minutes on the morning of Tuesday, September 30. If you are not available at this time, but would be available at some other time during the two day conference, we would be happy to work within your schedule so that you could participate.

Should you or your staff have any questions about the conference or the initiatives of the Business Responds to AIDS and Labor Responds to AIDS Programs, please do not hesitate to call Angie Hammock, Director of the Program, at 404/639-5210.

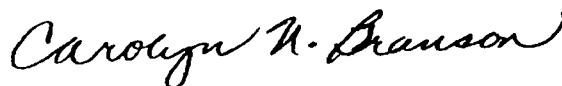
We hope you will join us on September 29-30 in our efforts to promote HIV/AIDS education and policies in the workplace. We look forward to your response.

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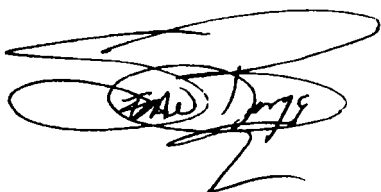
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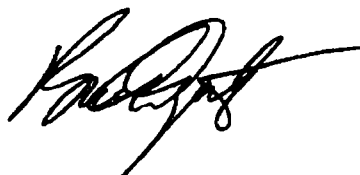
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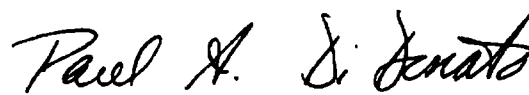
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Luigi Procopio
United Way of America

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1997

8:30 am - 9 am	Registration Continental Breakfast
9 am - 9:15 am	Welcome
9:15 am - 9:35 am	AIDS in a New Era: Epidemiology Update, New Treatments and Global Trends
9:35 am - 9:55 am	Introduction to Business Responds to AIDS and Labor Responds to AIDS
9:55 am - 10:10 am	AIDS in the Workplace: The Business Perspective
10:10 am - 10:25 am	AIDS in the Workplace: The Labor Perspective
10:25 am - 11:30 am	Panel Discussion: "Workplace HIV/AIDS: Human Resource Perspectives and Approaches" Questions and Answers
11:45 am - 1:15 pm	Plenary Luncheon Speaker and Topic To Be Announced
1:30 pm - 3 pm	Workshop Session I
3:15 pm - 4:45 pm	Workshop Session II
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Conference Reception
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Banquet Gala featuring presentation of the National Business and Labor Awards for Leadership on HIV/AIDS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1997

8 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Morning Plenary
9 am - 10:30 am	Workshop Session III
10:45 am - 12:15 am	Workshop Session IV
12:30 pm - 2 pm	Closing Plenary Luncheon

(Agenda is tentative and may be subject to change.)

"For every American with eyes and ears open, the face of AIDS is no longer the face of a stranger. Millions of us have now stood at the bedside of a dying friend. Millions of us know people who have AIDS and who have died of it ... Millions of us are now forced to admit that this is a problem which has diminished the life of every American."

—President Bill Clinton

The workplace must be prepared both to accommodate people with HIV/AIDS and to promote HIV prevention. CDC's National Business and Labor Conference on AIDS will be a state-of-the-art educational forum consisting of plenary sessions and an array of workshops that address HIV/AIDS in the workplace from the perspectives of human resources, risk management, benefits and community needs.

"You might ask, 'Why would someone in the business of athletic footwear — a product associated with fitness and good health — be such an advocate for tackling a deadly disease head-on?' Well, you can look at it two ways. As a concerned American, I think AIDS is an important issue we must face together, as a nation. And as a businessman, I think that a healthy, active American population is a lot better for my business — and probably for yours, too."

—Gib Ford,
President and CEO
Converse, Inc.

- Effective workplace **POLICIES**
- Effective **LABOR CONTRACT** language
 - The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other **WORKPLACE LAWS**
 - **ACCOMMODATING** workers under the ADA
- Protease inhibitors and other **NEW MEDICATIONS**
 - **PREPARING** for HIV-positive employees' return to work
- Teaching HIV **PREVENTION** to managers and labor leaders
 - Teaching HIV prevention to **EMPLOYEES** and workers
- Assisting employees/workers to teach **FAMILY MEMBERS** about HIV/AIDS
 - **COMMUNITY SERVICE**, philanthropy and volunteerism
 - Avoiding **OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE**
- The role of **EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROFESSIONALS**

In addition to learning, you'll be able to network with your colleagues and other interested professionals to share ideas, information and inspiration. Plus, on the evening of September 29, you will attend a banquet where the National Business and Labor Awards for Leadership on HIV/AIDS will be bestowed. Top government officials have been invited to present these prestigious awards, joined by Dr. David Satcher, Director of CDC, and Dr. Helene Gayle, CDC's Director, National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention.



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Ms. Sandy Thurman
Director
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
Washington, DC 20500

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Executive Director

Dear Ms. Thurman:

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C.A.B.S. CENTER
94 Manhattan Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11206

CARIBBEAN HOUSE CENTER
1167 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225

COMMUNITY LEAGUE CENTER
1996 Amsterdam Avenue
New York, NY 10022

HEALTH CENTER/QUEENS
97-04 Sutphin Blvd.
Jamaica, NY 11435

SOUTH BROOKLYN CENTER
141 Nevins Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217

UNITED PARENTS CENTER
999 Blake Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11208

WOMEN'S CENTER
910 East 172nd Street
Bronx, NY 10460

CFPC MOBILE HEALTH CENTER I

"maggie"

CFPC MOBILE HEALTH CENTER II

HELEN B. ATKINSON CENTER
(under development)

Alden N. Haffner, O.D., Ph.D.
Chairperson Emeritus

I am writing to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Director of National AIDS Policy.

My organization, CFPC, is a network of health centers serving women and their families in many of New York City's medically underserved communities. Our work at CFPC involves the delivery of primary health care and social services to a culturally diverse population of women and their families, including those infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. In addition to our eight--soon to be nine--free-standing centers, we operate two fully equipped mobile units from which HIV primary care is provided. CFPC was the first family-planning agency in New York State to offer prenatal care combined with social-work services, and the first in the country to offer primary care to HIV-positive individuals. In addition, CFPC participates in several clinical trials involving HIV-positive women, including one on the critically important subject of vertical transmission. CFPC's HIV medical and social service program has been labeled "state-of-the-art" by the Federal government and is being adopted as a model by other medical care providers.

Once you have gotten settled in your new position, I would like to extend an invitation to you to come to New York and visit some of our programs. I am sure that with your experience in community-based services and your political background, you and I will have much to share with each other. In the meantime, I wish you much good luck in your new endeavor.

Sincerely,

Ana O. Dumois, Ph.D., D.S.W.
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