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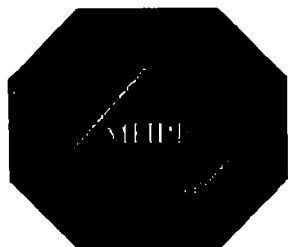
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Thank you,

Selina A. Smith, PhD

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METROPOLITAN ATLANTA TOWN HALL MEETING-HIV/AIDS BRIEFING

Morehouse School of Medicine, Host

Friday, March 17, 1999

1:00pm-5:30pm

Omni Hotel @ CNN Center

Ronny B. Lancaster, MBA, JD, Moderating

Senior Vice President, Management and Policy

Morehouse School of Medicine and

President, Association of Minority Health Professions Schools

DRAFT AGENDA

(Invited Speakers)

Registration

12:30pm-1:00pm

Opening Invocation

1:00pm-1:10pm

Warren K. Ashe, PhD

Associate Dean, Research

College of Medicine, Howard University

& Chair, Research Advisory Council

Welcome/Purpose

1:10pm-1:20pm

Carol B. Lewis

Executive Director

Minority Health Professions Foundation

Special Greetings

1:20pm-2:00pm

Congressman John Lewis (D)

5th Congressional District of Georgia

U.S. Congress, House of Representatives

Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney (D)

4th Congressional District of Georgia

U.S. Congress, House of Representatives

Donna M. Christian-Christensen, MD (D)

Delegate, US Virgin Islands

U.S. Congress, House of Representatives and

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Vernon Jones

Representative, District 71

Georgia House of Representatives

HIV/AIDS Policy

2:10pm-2:20pm

Sandra Thurman*Director*

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

2:10pm-2:20pm

National Minority HIV/AIDS Campaign**Henry Lewis III, RPh, PharmD***Dean and Professor*

College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Florida A & M University and

President, Minority Health Professions Foundation

2:20pm-2:40pm

HIV/AIDS in Atlanta & Georgia**Carol Snype Crawford, MS(?)***Executive Director*

Office of Minority Health

State of Georgia

2:40pm-2:55pm

**Status of the State of Emergency
Initiative of the
Congressional Black Caucus
in Communities of Color****Debra Fraser-Howze**

President-CEO

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2:55pm-3:05pm

Break

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**Federal and Corporate Response
to the HIV/AIDS Crisis****Eric P. Goosby, MD**

Director, Office of HIV/AIDS Policy

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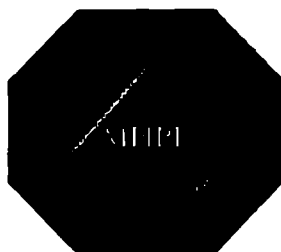
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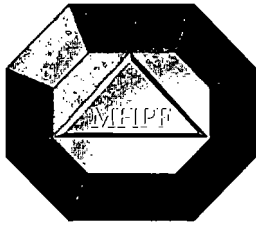
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November 16, 1999

Sandra Thurman, PhD
Director
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Dr. Thurman:

The Association of Minority Health Professions Schools (AMHPS) in partnership with the Minority Health Professions Foundation (MHPF) would like to extend an invitation for your participation in the **U.S. Virgin Islands HIV/AIDS Town Hall Meeting and Briefing**. These events will be held Thursday, December 9, and Friday, December 10, 1999 at the Marriott Beach Resorts, Frenchman's Reef, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI). Florida A & M University College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences will be the host institution for this event.

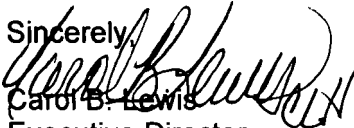
This Meeting is the second of twelve national meetings scheduled to advance the agenda of the National Minority HIV/AIDS Prevention Campaign. The objective of the Town Hall Meeting and Briefing is to mobilize community leaders, health care providers, academicians, legislative/government officials, and HIV + persons to address the HIV/AIDS crisis in minority communities. Of particular interest to the leaders of USVI communities will be the implementation of federal and state health programs that respond to the President's Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health, particularly HIV/AIDS.

More specifically, we would like to have you participate in the HIV/AIDS Briefing Session on Thursday, December 9, 1999, from 1:00 pm until 5:30 pm. The panel for the Briefing Session will be comprised of federal and local government officials. Each panelist will be asked to make a five to ten-minute presentation about his or her agency. After the presentations, the session will be open for questions, comments, and further discussions related to the status of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in African American and Latino communities.

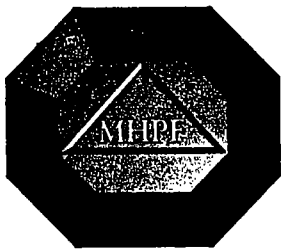
We would also like to extend an invitation for your participation in the **Brainstorming/Navigating through the Healthcare System for Underserved Communities** Workshop, which will be held during the Town Hall Meeting on Friday, December 10, from 1:30 pm until 3:30 pm. This Workshop is an "invitation only" session sponsored by Glaxo Wellcome. I have included draft agendas for the Briefing and the Town Hall Meeting for your review. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to seeing you in St. Thomas.

Sincerely,


Carol B. Lewis
Executive Director

c: Ronny B. Lancaster, MBA, JD, President, The Association of Minority Health Professions Schools
Henry Lewis III, RPh, PharmD, President, Minority Health Professions Foundation



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U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS TOWN HALL MEETING HIV/AIDS BRIEFING

Florida A&M University College of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences, Host

Thursday, December 9, 1999

1:00pm-5:30pm

Frenchman's Reef Marriott Beach Resorts , 5 Estate Bakkeroe, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

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DRAFT AGENDA

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Pastor

Name of Church

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10:15am-10:35am
Satellite Presentation

David Satcher, MD, PhD
U. S. Surgeon General
& Assistant Secretary for Health & Human Services

10:35am-12:00pm
Concurrent Workshops

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Closing Session**

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Memorandum

To: Sandra Thurman, PhD

CC: Mrs. Carol B. Lewis

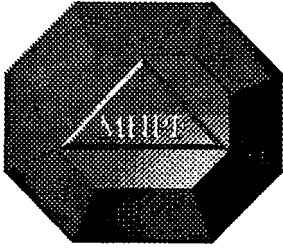
From: Nikita Matchett, MPH – Project Coordinator

Date: 11/23/99

Re: Draft Agendas for the Virgin Islands Town Hall Meeting

Enclosed are the draft agendas for the Virgin Islands Town Hall Meeting and Briefing. If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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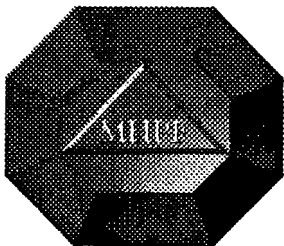
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Concurrent Workshops

**A ACCESS TO OPTIMAL CARE & SERVICES
FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH AIDS**

Moderators

Millicent Carpenter

St. Thomas, USVI

Calvin Gottlieb

Helping Hand

St. Thomas, USVI

Speakers

John Muhammad

Miami-Dade Partnership

Miami, Florida

**B MESSAGE OF HOPE: ROLE OF THE FAITH
COMMUNITY IN THE HIV/AIDS MOVEMENT**

Moderators

Pastor Noel A. Maynard

More Than Conquerors Ministry

Christiansted, St. Croix, USVI

Dr. Arnaldo Gonzalez

Christiansted, St. Croix, USVI

Dale Garee

Program Manager, Comprehensive
School Health

Department of Education

St. Thomas, USVI

Speakers

Rev. George E. McRae, Pastor

Mt. Tabor Missionary Baptist Church

Miami, FL

**C PROVIDING SOLUTIONS TO THE HIV/AIDS DILEMMA
THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS**

Moderators

Pat Odoms

Health & Safety Program Coordinator

American Red Cross

St. Thomas, USVI

Diane Ruan-Bonelli

United States of the VI Health Services

St. Thomas, USVI

Speakers

Reverend Lewis E. White

United Deliverance Church of God in
Christ

West Palm Beach, FL

D HIV/AIDS PREVENTION CHAMPAIGN AND YOUTH

Moderators

Nyasha Mutunhu

HIV/AIDS Prevention Specialist
American Red Cross
St. Thomas, USVI

Jahmal Phillips

St. Thomas, USVI

Speakers

Charles Debnam

Leadership Development Initiative
Associate, NAPWA
Washington, DC

Danny Tillman, Jr.

Mt. Rainer, MD

**E STATE-OF-THE-ART TREATMENT: INFORMATION FOR
HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS**

Moderators

Paul Arguin, MD

St. Thomas, USVI

Sally Brown

St. Thomas, USVI

Paul Hawthorne

St. Croix, USVI

Speakers

Cheryl Holder, MD, Medical Director

North Dade Health Center/Public Health
Trust
Miami, FL

A.-Kareem Abdullah, LICSW, ACSW, CCS

Clinical Director
Rapp, Inc.
Washington, DC 20002

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Fact Sheet

STATE OF EMERGENCY

In October of 1998, in response to urging by the Congressional Black Caucus, President Bill Clinton declared a state-of-emergency in African American and other communities of color related to HIV/AIDS. Statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention show higher rates of HIV and AIDS among minorities, especially African Americans. In addition, African American's represent a disproportionately high number of new cases. To address this on-going public health crisis, the Association of Minority Health Professions Schools and the Minority Health Professions Foundation developed a National Minority HIV/AIDS Prevention Campaign (The Campaign).

An initial step in the Campaign was the mobilization of legislators, researchers, technical advisors, the clergy, HIV/AIDS advocates, community leaders and sponsoring agencies concerned with preventing the spread of this disease in African American and Hispanic communities. An HIV/AIDS Partnering Conference, held February 14 – 16, 1999, in Redondo, Beach, CA, brought together more than 150 such individuals from across the country. This conference represented the first national organized response to President Clinton's 1998 declaration.

The first National HIV/AIDS Town Hall Meeting took place July 22-23, 1999 in Miami, Florida. The South Florida HIV/AIDS Town Hall Meeting included approximately 750 individuals from West Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale and Miami. The event was also simulcast on the Internet/World Wide Web @ www.minorityhealth.org.

OBJECTIVES

The Town Hall meetings are designed to identify needs, disseminate information, increase understanding and gain acceptance of strategies and programs aimed at decreasing the HIV/AIDS burden in communities of color. Each meeting will include an entire spectrum of community leaders, health care providers, academicians, legislative/government officials and people living with HIV/AIDS.

LOCATION

The HIV/AIDS Briefing and Town Hall Meeting will be held Thursday and Friday, December 9-10, 1999, Frenchman's Reef Marriott Beach Resort, 5 Estate Bakkeroe, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

HOST

The host for this event is Florida A&M University College of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences.