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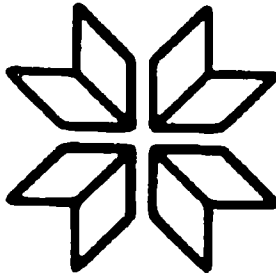
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April 28, 1999

To: Todd Summers
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The White House Office of National AIDS Policy

Fax: 456-2438

From: Mr. Damon V. Woods
Program Assistant
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Re: Request for Appointment

Mr. Summers,

Greetings from the Phelps Stokes Fund. The Phelps Stokes Fund would like to ask your assistance in implementing a new U.S. Information Agency project titled, "Joining Efforts in the Fight Against HIV/AIDS" from May 15, 1999 to June 4, 1999. As you're aware, the HIV/AIDS situation in Africa is critical and we are asking for support on this project. We are a programming agency for USIA's International Visitors Program. The group scheduled to arrive on May 15 includes government officials, medical doctors and researchers, social workers and journalists all working in the field of AIDS research and/or prevention in Africa. It would be a great benefit to these visitors and the program to have Director Thurman or a member of her staff to speak to them and share their experience of trying to put forth health initiatives and policies that have influenced many different communities across the nation. In addition, Director Thurman's recent trip to southern Africa only strengthens her insight on this topic.

The impact of The White House Office of AIDS Policy taking part on this program would be a positive one on the African officials participating. Our last program on the topic of health and AIDS was well received and not forgotten by USIA. It would be a pleasure to work with the Director or a member of her staff and to have your support on this vital project.

For your convenience we have a few days open for the Washington portion of this visit. We would need at least an hour and thirty minutes to allow for question and answers after your presentation.

The dates are:

Tuesday, May 18, 1999 from morning to late Afternoon
Wednesday, May 19, 1999 from morning to late Afternoon

Please contact me, Damon V. Woods, at (202) 371-9544, fax: (202) 371-9522 or E-Mail: damon@psfdc.org to further discuss this request and I will follow up with a phone call to make sure you received this fax. Projects like USIA's International Visitors Program are an important tool for promoting professional exchanges between international officials and American specialists.

Below are the goals of the program and a participant list.
Thank you for your time and consideration.

Damon V. Woods

CHARACTERISTICS OF PARTICIPANTS

This project is designed for government health officials, medical professionals, health practitioners, academics, community and social worker, and others involved in health care and education.

Project Goals

The Phelps Stokes Fund has designed the program to accomplish the following goals:

To explore US public health initiatives on HIV/AIDS and show the unique and positive role advocacy and activism has on policy.

To discover new and effective prevention techniques that are cost effective and beneficial to communities at risk.

To provide an opportunities for the participants to establish sustainable contacts with relevant American professionals.

Participant List

Joining Effort in the Fight Against HIV/AIDS

Angola

Mr. Alexander SAUL

Medical Doctor, Coordinator of the Health Working Group of
Church Action of Angola

Burkina Faso

Ms. Mominata Compaore BOYARM

Health Assistant, General Inspection for National Health
Schools and Services;
National Executive Secretary, Association of African Women
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Cameroon

Dr. George ENOW-OROCK

Head, Laboratory Technology,
University of Buea

Cote d'Ivoire

Mr. Justin N'Guessan KOFFI

Technical Coordinator,
The National Program for Fighting Against AIDS, STDs and
Tuberculosis

Democratic Republic of Congo

Mr. Beni BONGO

Medical Doctor,
Coordinator, HIV Preventive Program

Democratic Republic of Congo

Ms. Issiki Thecla Maria MULELEBWE

President, "Foundation Femme Plus";
Editor, "Harmonie" Magazine

Kenya

Dr. Robert AYISI

Medical Superintendent/Pediatrician,
Bungoma District Hospital

Kenya

Ms. Esther Mung'oni OLOO

Divisional STI/HIV/AIDS Coordinator

Liberia

Ms. Victoria O. BENSON

Program Counselor,
Liberian Society of Women Against AIDS

Malawi

Dr. Owen Laws KALUWA

Coordinator,
National Strategic HIV/AIDS Planning Unit

Malawi

Mrs. Doreen SANJE

Professional Officer in Participatory Processes,
National HIV/AIDS Strategic Planning Unit

Mauritius

Ms. Christine HARDY

Vice President,
Prevention, Information and Struggle Against AIDS

Namibia

Ms. Michaela FIGUEIRA

Coordinator, Environmental Affairs Legislation;
Coordinator, AIDS Law Project

Nigeria

Dr. Alti Chinme ZWANDOR

Coordinator,
STD/HIV Management Project

Rwanda

Mr. Innocent NTAGANIRA

Program Manager,
National AIDS Control Program,
Ministry of Health

Senegal

Dr. El Hadj Amadou MBOW

Medical Doctor,
Chief of the Medical Region of Dakar,
Responsible for Dakar HIV Program

Swaziland

Mr. Sandile Walter NTSHAKALA

Freelance Journalist;
Public Relations Officer, Family Life Association of
Swaziland

Togo

Dr. Atakouma Dzayisse YAWO

Pediatrics Professor,
University of Benin

Zimbabwe

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Acting Deputy Director,
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