



United States Department of State

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Mr. Guarione Diaz
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300 S.W. 12th Avenue
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Dear Mr. Diaz:

This letter is my follow-on to our telephone conversation yesterday evening in which we discussed the offer of the Miami Medical Team Foundation to send a medical team to the U.S. Naval Base, Guantanamo Bay, to address some of the medical concerns of the Cuban migrants located there.

The Miami Medical Team has proposed a comprehensive program to address the Cuban migrants' medical needs in terms of medical personnel and the supplies required to support their work. It has the capability to send to Guantanamo a broad range of medical personnel, which could include, among others, general practitioners, orthopedists, psychiatrists, psychologists, registered nurses and medical technicians. I am enclosing two recent letters I have received from the Miami Medical Team which describe in some detail what it is offering to provide to the Cuban people at Guantanamo.

The Department of State believes that the Miami Medical Team can provide a valuable and positive service to the Cubans at Guantanamo. Consequently, the Department strongly supports the Miami Medical Team in its effort to be allowed to serve the Cuban population in cooperation with the United States Government authorities at the Guantanamo Naval Base.

Sincerely,

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Bureau of Inter-American Affairs

Enclosures: As stated.

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