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Dear Jim:

I have received your letter of February 25, and the material of the proposed research center in child psychiatry. As I indicated to you, my impression from reading the protocol was that you were requesting my personal involvement in your program, rather than an official commitment from the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry. In that light, I have reviewed the program and find certain portions of considerable interest.

There are two parts of the document in which my participation is suggested. In one, it is as a member of the executive committee for administration and coordination; and in the other as a consultant to the program. I believe these two roles are separate.

In view of some interest that I have had in the problem of brain damage in childhood as a factor in the appearance of the syndrome known as "childhood schizophrenia", I would be pleased to participate in your program as a consultant. I look forward to the opportunity to work with John Stern and hopefully, Hal Williams if indeed, he joins the program.

I regret, however, that it seems inappropriate for me to be a member of the executive committee for administration and coordination. It is my understanding that this committee should consist of members of the department of Washington University. In view of the complicated nature of the present relationship between the Institute and that department, I would hesitate to establish any other administrative connections at the present time.

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I trust that this association will be satisfactory, and believe that it would be appropriate for you to indicate in your application that my personal commitment as consultant is allowable by the rules of the Institute for a maximum of 10% of my time. It would be inappropriate, for the present, to refer to the Institute as a supporting institution.

Good luck in your application.

Sincerely yours,

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Director

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