

December 11, 1968

Honorable Wallace Groves
President, Grand Bahamas
Port Authority
Freeport, The Bahamas

Dear Mr. Groves:

In a recent visit to Freeport, attending meetings of the Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine, I was favorably impressed by the tremendous progress and activity which I saw. Representatives of one of the development companies indicated that there was a need for additional medical service.

This Department of Psychiatry has extensive treatment, research and teaching programs in community mental health. We have talked of possibilities of expanding our programs to other communities, to allow for the insights which come from comparative studies.

I do not know what facilities for psychiatric care are available in Freeport, but if there is either a need for or an interest in the development of a community mental health program, it is possible that we may be able to fulfill such a service.

We would be pleased to hear from the appropriate agency of the Authority regarding this suggestion. Let me take this opportunity to congratulate you on what appears to be a visionary and exciting program.

Sincerely yours,

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Professor of Psychiatry

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