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Dear Jim,

Enclosed is the AFIP - Project SIDA proposal. Please feel free to make any changes, suggestions, etc.

Sincerely,

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DRAFT - for comment by expected signatories

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF ZAIRE

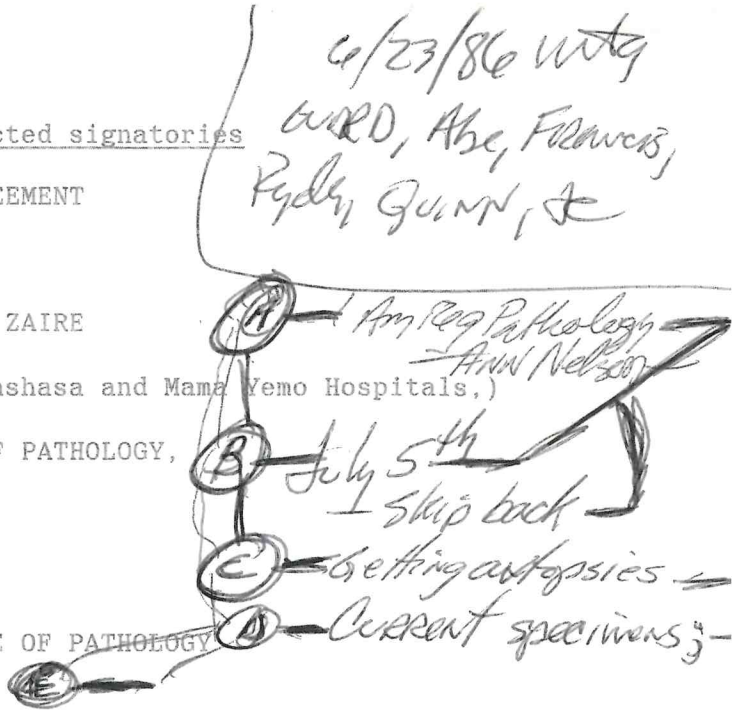
(Departments of Pathology, University of Kinshasa and Mama Yemo Hospitals,)

THE AMERICAN REGISTRY OF PATHOLOGY,

PROJECT SIDA,

AND

THE ARMED FORCES INSTITUTE OF PATHOLOGY




PURPOSE: This establishes a program among the Government of Zaire, the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, the American Registry of Pathology, the Departments of Pathology at the University of Kinshasa School of Medicine, the Mama Yemo Hospital, and the Zaire AIDS Research Project (Project SIDA) to provide pathologic support for the study, in Zaire, of patients with and decedents who have had AIDS.

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:

Government of Zaire: Appropriate representatives of the Zairian Government will invite the American Registry of Pathology (ARP) to send a pathologist to Zaire and will provide the pathologist entre to the main laboratories at the Departments of Pathology at the University of Kinshasa School of Medicine and the Mama Yemo Hospital. They will make all arrangements necessary to allow the ARP pathologist to perform surgical and autopsy pathology, related to AIDS research, in the Pathology Departments of the University of Kinshasa and the

Mama Yemo Hospital, where professional and resident staff members will seek to obtain authorizations to do autopsies in all appropriate cases and will assist with each such autopsy.

American Registry of Pathology: Pursuant to a contract with the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP), the ARP will assign a pathologist to Project SIDA in Kinshasa, Zaire. The ARP will pay the pathologist's salary, per diem, and travel to and from Zaire. The ARP will assure that the ARP pathologist processes and studies the surgical specimens obtained at the Mama Yemo and University pathology laboratories and forwards relevant postmortem specimens to the AFIP. Further, The ARP will also insure that the ARP pathologist will train local staff to perform autopsies.

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Project SIDA: Project SIDA, under the administration of the Centers for Disease Control, will effect the assignment of the ARP pathologist to Project SIDA and will make arrangements to provide the pathologist with office space, Embassy housing, and use of APO and "pouch" for shipping specimens. Project SIDA will provide pathology assistants, technicians and ~~a~~ secretarial support for the ARP pathologist. The ~~local~~ Director of Project SIDA will supervise the pathologist's day to day administrative and professional activities.

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Armed Forces Institute of Pathology: The AFIP will repair or provide items of equipment and supplies, including automatic tissue processors, embedding systems, microtomes, flotation baths, blade sharpeners, two two-headed microscopes, two autopsy tables and instruments, a camera and film for gross photography, disposable gowns and accessories, formalin, containers, glass microscope slides and cover slips, for use by the ARP pathologist at the named laboratories in Kinshasa. AFIP will accession, process, and examine materials

* Direct AFIP responsibility
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*** — also may depend upon status of employee

submitted by the ARP pathologist and will provide a report and stained slides on each such case to the Department of Pathology at Mama Yemo Hospital or the Department of Pathology at the University of Kinshasa School of Medicine, as appropriate.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION: This Memorandum of Agreement is effective upon signature of all parties and shall remain in effect for 2 years.

- Publication/review of data, manuscripts,
- Clearance by GOZ (MOH)

DRAFT PROTOCOL

Introduction:

The Projet SIDA currently includes epidemiologic, clinical and laboratory expertise. In order to strengthen diagnostic and research capabilities for the entire Project and its collaborators, a pathology component is proposed to be included within the Projet SIDA. This additional resource would be provided by the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) and the American Registry of Pathology (ARP), in collaboration with the Department of Pathology of the University of Kinshasa School of Medicine and Mama Yemo Hospital.

Specific Provisions:

1. The Pathology component of Projet SIDA would operate under the supervision of the Project Director and entirely within the guidelines and understandings already established between the Project and the Department of Public Health of the Republic of Zaire. Specifically:
   (a) all pathology activities would be reviewed and approved by the Project Director and Department prior to implementation;
   (b) protocols for routine pathologic work, including biopsy and autopsy activities, would be reviewed and approved by the Project Director and Department prior to implementation;
   (c) all study protocols would be similarly reviewed and approved;
   (d) scientific presentations or papers would require prior discussion with, and approval by, the Project Director and Department prior to presentation or submission for publication or review.
2. Equipment and supplies required to conduct the approved activities would be provided by the AFIP/ARP, including automatic tissue processors, embedding systems, microtomes, flotation baths, blade sharpeners, two-headed microscopes, autopsy tables and instruments, camera and file

for gross photography, disposable gowns and accessories, formalin, containers, glass microscope slides and cover slips. AFIP will access, process and examine materials that cannot reasonably be examined in facilities available in Kinshasa.

3. The pathology component of the Projet SIDA would be staffed by a full-time, board-certified pathologist assigned to the Project from the ARP. All costs (including salary, travel, housing, etc.) associated with the position will be supported by AFIP/ARP. This pathologist would be responsible for training locally hired pathology assistants. In addition, the pathologist would assist, in accordance with proposals developed in collaboration with the Department of Pathology (UNIKIN) and Mama Yemo Hospital, in the training and continuing education of Zairian pathologists, residents and students.

4. The pathology component's principal collaborators would be the Department of Pathology (UNIKIN) and the Department of Pathology at Mama Yemo Hospital. However, following prior approval by the Project Director and Department of Public Health, collaborative work with other Zairian institutions or physicians could be authorized. All biopsy and autopsy requests and permissions must be obtained by Zairian collaborators.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Zaire

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Director, AIDS Program
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AFIP/Projet SIDA Draft Protocol

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Attached is a draft "protocol" for the proposed AFIP/Projet SIDA collaboration. This was prepared by Jon Mann and he thought it sufficient for purposes of presentation to the MOH, Zaire.

Please give your comments by phone or in writing as soon as possible.

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Attachment

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