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Dear James,

I am delighted to serve as a consultant for your proposal, "Prevention of HIV/AIDS in Ghanaian Uniformed Services," which you have submitted as part of the Department of Defense RFA. The partnership you have developed with ResourceLinC, Dr. Kwaku Ohene-Frempong, and Dr. John Jemmott is an exciting one and combines expertise and resources with existing collaborations with individuals in Ghana.

As Director of the Penn Center for AIDS Research I will be happy to help you in any way as your program develops. As you know, this NIH funded CFAR includes over 100 faculty members from the University of Pennsylvania, the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and the Wistar Institute who are involved with AIDS/HIV research. Our research programs include viral pathogenesis, clinical/therapeutics, immunology/vaccine, structural biology, and behavioral and social sciences. Because our CFAR's research interests span basic, clinical and behavioral sciences as well as adult and pediatric AIDS/HIV issues, we are well positioned to provide information, expertise and assistance in your efforts with the Ghanaian Uniformed Services. In this regard, your enrollment as a co-investigator of John Jemmott, a CFAR member and a Professor in the Annenberg School of Communications at Penn will be particularly helpful.

I have also mentioned the commitment our CFAR has made to develop international initiatives in AIDS/HIV research and we would welcome the opportunity to work with your group to develop this program in Ghana.

I wish you the very best with your proposal and am ready to help at any time,

Sincerely yours,

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