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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Black Outreach Project, sponsored by the AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia. As most of you are aware, the Black Outreach Project provides culturally sensitive information, education and support services to the Black communities on HIV and AIDS. This letter is to further gain your support in helping to do this, by requesting that you participate in an AIDS training session, which will be happening in the new year.

The funding of the Black Outreach Project will be ending March 28, 1996. Though we are applying for new funding from a different source, we certainly have no guarantees. One of the initiatives the Black Outreach Project has planned to ensure our community has continued resources, has been to create a resource manual, and with that, do "AIDS" training.

You have been identified by your community, and by the Black Outreach Project as being a resource person for your locality. This training session in conjunction with the resource manual will be an opportunity to further your knowledge and understanding of AIDS and related issues, thereby adding to your potential to share information. Please understand that this training session is seen to be a compliment to the work you do, as opposed to adding on to the work you already have. The session we propose you take is specifically geared towards Black community organizational staff. Please find enclosed the table of contents, which generally demonstrates the content of the resource manual, the training session outline (subject to minor changes), and a registration form for the session of your choice. Please note that there is no registration fee and expenses will be covered by the Black Outreach Project (travel for those from out of town, meals, and hotel if necessary).

We sincerely hope that you consider your participation in a session to be of importance to you and your work. If wishing to participate, please fill out the registration form and send it in no later than January 16, 1996. Also, please call for any further questions, concerns or comments.

Merry Christmas and hopefully hear from you in the New Year!

Yours Truly,

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