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The Honorable  
 Paul C. Warnke  
 Assistant Secretary  
 Department of Defense

Dear Mr. Warnke:

We have been requested to arrange an appointment for the U.A.R. Minister of Agriculture in Cairo, Mr. Sayed Marei, for a medical examination and possible surgery at Bethesda Naval Hospital for correction of a median bar hypertrophy of the prostate and/or lateral lobe hyperplasia. Mr. Marei has been told by his doctor in Cairo he may require a urethroscopy and cystoscopy and possibly a transurethral resection if the findings determine the necessity for this.

Mr. Marei is not only friendly to the United States, he also enjoys full confidence of the U. A. R. regime. We believe it would be in our national interest to arrange a medical examination and surgery for him as a gesture of good will at a time of considerable stress in our relationships with the U. A. R.

If permission for the examination is granted, we will so inform Mr. Marei and will be in touch with you as to the date of his arrival in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Rodger P. Davies  
 Deputy Assistant Secretary  
 Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs

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