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Mr. Norman J. Taylor, Regional Deputy
Secretary
Department of Public Welfare
State Office Building, Room 702
300 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222

Dear Norm:

The letters from Mike Levine and Mr. H. W. [REDACTED] to Dr. James McClelland, Polk State School and Hospital, are self-explanatory. After reading Mr. [REDACTED] letter, I am sure you will agree it is very reasonable and balanced. Quite frankly, I know many parents who would take a much more hostile attitude.

It does seem to me that if we are serious about normalization, use of the telephone is one of the most normal activities. Possibly your regional task force should address itself to this problem and advise you to a course of action.

I will also refer this to our State School and Hospital and Interim Care Committee.

Do you anticipate that we could have an opinion by January 1?

Best personal wishes,

C. A. Peters
Executive Director

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