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Dear Professor Matthews,

I have just got back from sick leave and have received your letter of the 26th February, with enclosures, relating to the case of Dr. J.G.M. Olmsted, and am very much obliged to you for sending us such full information, which will help us in explaining the circumstances to Dr. Pearce, the Chief Medical Officer of the Bahamas.

I am sorry to learn, though, from your letter that your Selection Committee were disappointed at our asking for your reasons for turning down Dr. Olmsted's application. I think they must have misunderstood the position, and I am anxious that any misconception should be cleared up at once.

We had, and have, no intention of departing from our custom of accepting without question the decision of your Committee on an individual case. But as in your letter of January 27th you were kind enough to offer to send us the Committee's reasons for the rejection of Dr. Olmsted, we thought it best to take advantage of your willingness to do

PROFESSOR T.H. MATTHEWS.