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RE: Ashley Ambrose Saint

Dear U.S. Consul General at Santo Domingo;

This letter is written to support of Ashley Ambrose Saint's trip to Chicago, IL to be seen and treated by my team at the University of Chicago Medical Center and Comer Children's Hospital. Upon reviewing her medical records, she is diagnosed with nasofrontal dysplasia either due to an encephalocele or nasal duplication.

It is in my medical opinion that Ashley will need nasal reconstruction and possibly transcranial surgery involving a craniofacial surgeon (myself) and a neurosurgeon. The surgical treatment needed is highly specialized and not available in the D.R due to the severity of Ashley's defect and therefore medical treatment needs to occur in the United States. Ashley will need multiple trips to the U.S. to be evaluated in September 2015 and then return for surgery in October 2015. She will also need to follow-up at 3-month intervals for up to one year after surgery. Her care at the University of Chicago will be free of charge to her and her family. All financial responsibilities are covered by the Fresh Start Grant. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Reid".

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