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**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE  
**CC:** CHIEF OF STAFF  
**FROM:** ARMERITA TELL  
**SUBJECT:** RECRUITMENT & TRAINING PROGRAM  
**DATE:** 3/8/2000

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Following is a summary of my meeting with Mr. Wendell Paris, Mr. James Miller and Mrs. Lillie Thornton with the Recruitment & Training Program (R-T-P).

Mr. Paris and Mr. Miller explained the program and their expected goals. They stated that they had your approval from your earlier meeting. After hearing their proposal, I suggested that they organize a formal proposal, and we schedule another meeting with everyone involved.

They proposed possible funding from DHS to expand and enlarge their organization to get a head start on the program, before other states get started. I am contacting Dr. Fletcher's office at DHS to check on scheduling a meeting for all of us. Is this the course you would like to take with Mr. Paris?

While at the Capital, Rep. Jimmy Thornton, who's wife is Lillie Thornton, asked me why we had to set up a meeting with DHS to get approval for the funding since you had already met with them. I informed him that you had only given your approval for the idea, but The Governor's Office did not have the contract to hand to him. We would have to go through the appropriate channels to get the funding and contract.

Thank you for your time in review of this information.