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RICHARD D. LAMM Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

CREATING THE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT TEAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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- WHEREAS, the State of Colorado has attempted to improve conditions in the maximum security prison at Canon City as expeditiously as possible; and
- WHEREAS, I have attempted to provide continuing leadership in improving the state correctional system overall, including conditions in the maximum security facility; and
- WHEREAS, the United States District Court, in the case entitled Ramos et al v Lamm et al, has issued an order, a portion of which concerns physical and mental health services provided to inmates at the maximum security facility and is currently in effect; and
- WHEREAS, the United States District Court decision in Ramos et al v Lamm et al is presently on appeal to the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Colorado and all defendants in the lawsuit cited above intend to continue their on-going good faith efforts to operate the maximum security facility, including physical and mental health services, within constitutional limits and according to good correctional management;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard D. Lamm, Governor of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the authority vested in me under state law, do HEREBY ORDER THAT:

- 1. There is hereby established the Governor's Management Support Team for the Department of Corrections.
- 2. The Management Support Team shall be under the direction and supervision of the Governor and the Director of the Department of Corrections and shall report directly to both. Composition of the team is designed to facilitate interdepartmental coordination and may be changed from time to time, depending on management assistance needs, with the approval of the Governor. Initial members of the team shall be the following persons:

Jack Ewing, Assistant Superintendant, Colorado State Hospital Steve Hutt, Citizens' Advocate Office James Kurtz-Phelan, Legal Advisor to the Governor

Dr. Charlotte Redden, Analyst, Office of State Planning and Budgeting

Donald B. Rice, Executive Administrator, Department of Health

Dr. James Ricketts, Executive Director, Department of Corrections

Harvey Rubinstein, Member, Industrial Commission of Colorado

James Stroup, Deputy State Controller, Department of Administration

- 3. All departments in the executive branch of state government, especially the Departments of Health, Institutions, and Administration, are hereby directed to cooperate with and to assist the Management Support Team in carrying out its responsibilities, and also are directed to coordinate activities with the Department of Corrections to the extent necessary to ensure adequate health care for inmates at the present maximum security facility and at the new maximum and close security facilities, as well as to ensure the timely and efficient move into the new maximum and close security facilities.
- 4. The Management Support Team shall assist the Executive Director of the Department of Corrections in implementing the move to the new maximum and close security facilities and in complying with the enforceable provisions of the United States District Court order in Ramos et al v Lamm et al concerning the physical and mental health services provided inmates at the present maximum security facility at Canon City and at the new maximum and close security facilities.
- 5. The members of the Management Support Team shall have the following specific authority and responsibilities, which may be exercised by any member of the team acting individually or with other members, with the approval of either the Executive Director of the Department of Corrections or the Governor as represented by his legal advisor:
 - a. With respect to the provision of physical and mental health services at the present maximum security facility and at the new maximum and close security facilities:
 - Ensure timely ordering, delivery, and installation of equipment, supplies, and materials and hiring of personnel which may be necessary.
 - II. Initiate, coordinate, review, and/or approve all interdepartmental arrangements and agreements which may be necessary.
 - III. Assist in the development and implementation of a plan of action regarding physical and mental health services prepared in connection with Ramos et al v Lamm et al.

- IV. Assist in the administration of physical and mental health services.
- b. With respect to the move to the new maximum and close security facilities, the Management Support Team shall have the same authority as described in paragraph (a) above, and also shall participate in the development and implementation of the transition plan for moving to the new maximum and close security facilities.
- c. Participate in the development and review of documents relating to management of the Department of Corrections or other departments of state government which are to be submitted to the courts in Ramos et al v Lamm et al.
- d. Monitor and assist in the Department's response to inmate complaints forwarded by the United States District Court in relation to Ramos et al v Lamm et al.
- e. Such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by either the Executive Director of the Department of Corrections or the Governor as represented by his legal advisor.
- 6. Any decisions made by a member of the Management Support Team and agreed to or authorized by the Executive Director of the Department of Corrections shall have the same force and effect as a decision made by the Executive Director. Any matter about which the Executive Director and a member of the Management Support Team cannot agree shall be resolved by the Governor and shall be duly implemented.
- 7. The pay or status of any member of the Management Support Team shall not be changed or otherwise affected by participation on the team, unless specifically decided otherwise.
- 8. The Management Support Team shall function as provided in this Order until such time as the team is terminated by Executive Order. It is my intention not to terminate the Management Support Team earlier than January 1, 1981, unless it becomes necessary to establish an earlier or later termination date.

DONE this 16 day of April, A.D., 1980.

Richard D. Lamm

Governor