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Hon. Dan Morales
Attorney General of Texas
P.O. Box 12548
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REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION

Re: Whether the Harris County Hospital District may expend public funds to pay for the temporary housing expenses of, and charge its patients for the services of, visiting U.S. Army medical personnel

Dear Mr. Morales:

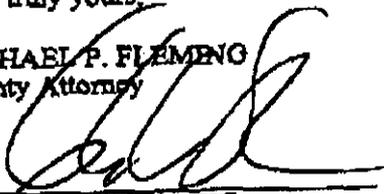
The Harris County Hospital District has requested that this Office obtain an opinion from the Attorney General with regard to the following:

1. May the Hospital District pay for, or reimburse, the temporary housing expenses of visiting Army medical personnel from public funds?
2. May the Hospital District charge its patients for the medical, nursing and health care services rendered by visiting Army medical personnel?

Our memorandum brief on these questions is enclosed. Please contact us at (713) 746-6552 if you have any questions about this request for an opinion.

Very truly yours,

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By: 
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Enclosure