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December 24, 1997

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Nukuzola Ntshona, M.D. Inmate #47003-053 Pembroke Station Danbury, Connecticut 06811

RE: License No. 205291

Dear Dr. Ntshona:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 97-324 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect upon receipt of this letter or seven (7) days after the date of this letter, whichever is earlier.

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a surrender, revocation or suspension of this license, you are required to deliver to the Board the license and registration within five (5) days of receipt of the Order.

Board for Professional Medical Conduct New York State Department of Health Hedley Park Place, Suite 303 433 River Street Troy, New York 12180

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Earle Giovanniello, Esq.

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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

: SURRENDER

OF

ORDER

NUKUZOLA NTSHONA, M.D.

: BPMC # 97-324

NUKUZOLA NTSHONA, M.D., says:

On or about December 18, 1996, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 20591 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 100 29th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11232, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address.

I am currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York.

I understand that I have been charged with one specification of professional misconduct as set forth in the Statement of Charges, annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A".

I am applying to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct for an agreement to allow me to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York and request that the Board issue this Surrender Order.

I hereby agree not to contest the allegations and one specification set forth in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

I understand that, in the event that this proposed agreement is not granted by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, nothing contained herein shall be binding upon me or construed to be an admission of any act of misconduct alleged or charged against me, such proposed agreement shall not be used against me in any way, and shall be kept in strict confidence during the pendency of the professional misconduct disciplinary proceeding; and such denial by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by a Committee on Professional Medical Conduct pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

I agree that in the event the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct agrees with my proposal, this Order shall be issued striking my name from the roster of physicians in the State of New York without further notice to me.

I am making this agreement of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion, or restraint of any kind or manner.

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Subscribed before me this

16th day of Locultur, 1997

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AGREED TO:

Facle Gannielle Esq. Attorney for Respondent

Date: 12/19, 1997

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: Just 19 1997

Director, Office of
Professional Medical Conduct

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of NUKUZOLA NTSHONA, M.D., to Surrender her license as a physician in the State of New York, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is AGREED TO and

ORDERED, that the proposed agreement and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted; it is further

ORDERED, that the name of Respondent be stricken from the roster of physicians in the State of New York; it is further

ORDERED, that this Order shall take effect as of the date of the personal service of this Order upon Respondent, upon receipt by Respondent of this Order via certified mail, or seven days after mailing of this Order via certified mail, whichever is earliest.

DATED: 12-97

PATRICK F. CARONE, M.D., M.P.H. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

NUKUZOLA NTSHONA, M.D. : CHARGES

NUKUZOLA NTSHONA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on December 16, 1996, the issuance of license number 205291 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Respondent, on or about August 11, 1996, was convicted after a jury trial of the felony crime of the violation of Title 18, United States Code, §§ 286 and 3551, et seq, namely, that in or about and between April 1991 and November 1993, both dates being approximate and inclusive, within the Eastern District of New York and elsewhere, the defendant Nokuzola Ntshona and others, did knowingly and intentionally enter into an agreement, combination and conspiracy to defraud the United States Department of Health and Human Services by obtaining and aiding to obtain the payment of false, fictitious and fraudulent claims for durable medical equipment, to wit, claims for equipment that was not medically necessary, not properly authorized, and not provided.

2. The conviction was in the United States District Court, the Eastern District of New York, before the Honorable United States District Court Judge Charles P. Sifton.

3. On or about August 11, 1996, Judge Sifton found the defendant liable for \$380,290 in restitution and sentenced her to 30 months incarceration.

4. The conduct constitutes professional misconduct under New York Education Law, namely §6530(9)(a)(ii), being convicted of a committing an act constituting a crime under Federal law.

SPECIFICATION OF MISCONDUCT

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of New York Education Law §6530(9)(a)(ii) in that she was found guilty of committing acts constituting a crime under Federal Law, to wit:

1. The facts in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and/or 4.

DATED: Dec 19, 1997
Albany, New York

PETER D. VAN BUREN

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct