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Friendly Advice

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To: "skiernan@wfwproject.org" <skiernan@wfwproject.org>

Hi Sean,

I just wanted to reach out very quickly to you in the aftermath of the letter you sent to the president of JHU through the media. The next time you want information, please just call the person who has the answers (in this case me).

There was no government conspiracy at play in our decision to withdraw from the MAPS study and the Hopkins leadership has given me nothing but full support for doing the research I do, including research into the effects of cannabis as a potential therapeutic for PTSD. Now, that might change if they continue to have to take time out of their day to deal with things like your letter.

Next time just pick up the phone and ask nicely for answers to your questions and you might get them.

I can assure you that both MAPS and JHU will continue to work to help veterans, and we will do so as quickly as possible, but things get slowed down when we need to unnecessarily put out media fires. Doing this work is challenging enough as it is and I lost a lot of time dealing with your letter. This e-mail is a professional courtesy and you may not share any of its contents with the media or otherwise publicly post it.

I send this with respect and hope that you receive it for what it is.

-Ryan

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