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## April 5, 1957

To Norman U. Greenlaw, Commissioner of Institutional Service Re: Lease Renewal

Enclosed please find a renewal of agreement. . . which is being returned to you without our approval.

We realize that an agreement in substantially the same form has been previously approved by this office; but we believe that a renewal of such an agreement shows that there is nothing of an emergency nature which requires such agreement.

This office has held that, with respect to State property which, in the opinion of the Governor and Council, should be leased in order to safeguard State interests, then, lacking a statute authorizing such a lease, the Governor and Council might authorize such a lease.

Such an opinion is one which considers public exigencies only. Otherwise all leases must be made under authority of statute. . .

James Glynn Frost Deputy Attorney General

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