Wednesday, March 21

Needs identified by group

1. Short-stay hostel or 'crash pad'
2. 24 hour service, at least somebody available afs & evenings
3. 24 hours child care whilst mother is in crisis

Staff

Someone who can communicate c̄ ethnic groups (Greek, German)

Someone able to communicate c̄ cultural groups (eg young).

→ CAS representative pointed out that such was available.

PHN – community nurse

An ex mental patient?

Generally, warm reception. Some concern re our uncertainty as to who will be directing or coordinating us. Established agencies welcoming – our intervention re Mysholes helped with at least two of them. MPA pressing (1) training of non professionals (2) need for continuing dialogue. K/w of highly critical & destructive in manner & style – accusing us of professionalism, of not being indigenous to Istilans, of duplicating existing programs etc. She aroused an angry response from Dr Ratthorth.

Next meeting / April 6 –

* Notion of inter-agency dialogue to improve coordination of services to emotionally disturbed people

* Notion of input from the community agencies & help us identify need & develop our program rationally.

Question of formalization of this input
Need for "Advisory Board"
Composition of same (should include community representatives as well as agency reps)

need for formalization of this?

Our immediate ~~desire~~ request:
(1) help finding a base

~~Re~~ Hiring
? Full time paid director coordinator
? RN – Community nurse
nurse ? psych experience
? OT
? number of primary therapists
Psych assistant also?
* ? Hiring of non professionals

Need for meeting of 'team leaders' on a regular basis, starting now.