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HEPATITIS ADVISORY GROUP

I thought that you would like to know that we have made real progress with the establishment of a Hepatitis Advisory Group and that, informally, Sir Robert Williams has agreed to accept the Chair. Until he has been approached formally and has accepted, it will not be possible to write to potential members but the idea is to keep membership to those with appropriate expertise. Departmental officers, both from here and other Departments, would be in attendance only and Dr Mary Sibellas will be the Medical Secretary with Mr Arthur Jones as the Administrative Secretary.

I gather that you will in fact be attending on behalf of your Department and I look forward to seeing you at the first meeting. We cannot of course fix a date until this can be discussed with Sir Robert but we would like to have a meeting in September if it can be arranged.

Subject to Sir Robert's agreement, we have the following in mind as members:

Dr Dane, Middlesex Hospital Medical School

Dr T Flewett, Regional Virus Laboratory, Birmingham Hospital

Dr W J Jenkins, Director, Regional Blood Transfusion Centre, Brentwood

Dr Richard Lane, Blood Products Laboratory, Lister Institute of Preventive
Medicine, Elstree

Dr Sheila Polakoff, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale

Dr Roger Williams, King's College Hospital

Professor A Zuckerman, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

We also hope to invite as a member one of those who served on the Working Part on Hepatitis in Dentistry.

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