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Subject: RE: FW: Extract from Health Committee meeting 1 March 2005

Dear William

As far as we know, as of this point in time, the Ministers here have no intention of deviating from the UK agreement as it stands. There was, apparently, always a concern that the Scottish Haemophilia Society members would try to have the scheme changed in Scotland and they used the opportunity given to them last week to attempt to do so.

Our Minister will be responding to the Skipton Fund issues raised last week when he gives evidence on 22 March. We are preparing appropriate briefing for him for that and, hopefully, will be able to scorch any attempt at deviating from the UK wide scheme. Sandra can let you have a copy of that when it is ready if that would be useful. The issue of a public inquiry is being revisited on 10 May (changed from 3 May recently) before the Health Committee in a special session on Hep C to try and avoid it delaying the progress of the Smoking Bill. This was agreed between the Minister and the Convenor of the Health Committee.

Due to FOI, the line that there is no new evidence to suggest holding a PI is becoming increasingly difficult to defend. I know you have responded that your Ministers are not deviating from that, but I would still like to know whether, if we were to go ahead, they would be supportive in terms of co-operating with one held in Scotland. If that is a categoric "no" then we need to advise our Minister accordingly.

Hope this reassures you to some extent!

(By the way, I did not anticipate 5 and a half hours for our meeting on 17th. Its just that it is so difficult to get meeting rooms at all in here that we blocked it off to allow some flexibility for your flights!)

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Many thanks for this which makes for an "interesting" read.

I am still somewhat confused about precisely what section 24 in Part 5 of your Bill provides for as the transcript of evidence implies that there may be scope to propose a widening of the scheme or further change to it in Scotland. When we discussed the provision last week I understood that they merely put the financing of the scheme onto a more appropriate legal footing. For example, Mr Dolan suggest on the second page on my version that "Section 24 will give Scottish ministers scope to..." have a separate appeals procedure for Scotland. Is that in fact the case? If so then the legislation is far broader than I had thought. Is there a reason why the Scottish Executive were not asked to give their version of what the Skipton Fund is and how it was established?

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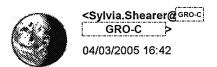
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