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Your ref

Our ref

Date 26 October 1990

Dear Mr. Connelly,

H. I. V. - COMPENSATION FOR HAEMOPHILIACS

I refer to the current consideration being given to the claims of haemophiliacs for compensation in view of their having contracted the H.I.V. virus before screening and heat-treatment of blood products was introduced. In Scotland the position is that there are 29 such claims against the Secretary of State for Scotland and the NHS.

I understand that D.H. are not including a bid for any resources for this in PCS 1990. I should be grateful, therefore, for any information you can give me on how D.H. are proposing to meet any settlement costs which may be agreed in 1991-92. In connection with this it would also be most helpful if you could keep me in touch with developments by sending me copies of any relevant papers etc. Copies of any book papers which you think might be useful used also be welcome.

Yours Sincerely,

GRO-C: I A Hancock

P.S. My apologies if I have directed this letter to the wrong place. Please re-direct as necessary.