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I have been through the files you gave me. I am arranging to have the Advisory Committee on the Virological Safety of Blood's papers copied. I will then send them to DMS. Of the rest I clearly have what comes down to given the dates we have MED's papers and three ring binders of John Canavan's old branch papers. In Dr Rejman's "personal" papers I have found two minutes which ominously do not appear elsewhere. There are obviously some gaps. We know Dr Metters' files have gone and I think he had a lot more than just the minutes of the Committee meetings. There must be some Finance Division papers and briefings to ministers. What I find surprising is the fact that we had ring binder after ring binder on HIV but there is so little on HVC. I wonder why this is? Have you made any progress on retrieving the files on your list? We are under a duty to make a reasonable search. I think the lapse of time is against us.