

**INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY**

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**BRENDON GRAY WITNESS STATEMENT**

**EXHIBIT WITN6984010**

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## Blood Products (Imports)

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Mrs. Currie asked the Secretary of State for Social Services what advice has been given to hospitals concerning the use of imported factor VIII in the light of recent concern about its possible contamination with the causative agent of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Mr. Kenneth Clarke There is no conclusive evidence that acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) is transmitted by blood products. The use of factor VIII concentrates is confined almost exclusively to designated haemophilia centres whose directors and staff are expert in this field. Professional advice has been made available to all such centres in relation to the possible risks of AIDS from this material.