Lord Hunt

From Jill Taylor HSD2

Date: 22 February 2001

Cc: Charles Lister HSD2 Anita James SOL Lit

PS(L) - Graham Ross

- 1. A draft reply is attached. I am sorry for the delay in returning these papers.
- 2: This is a follow-up letter from Graham Ross to your letter of 22 December and one of many he has written to the Department and Ministers on behalf of his campaign for haemophiliacs infected with hepatitis C.
- 3. Mr Ross is under the impression that the Department's files, which had been listed, on discovery during the HIV litigation would be put into the Commons Library and therefore be in the public domain. Advice on this matter from Anita James, Solicitors Branch is attached (in the file). These records should not be regarded as being in the public domain. This is a matter for court rules and we have signed undertakings (as has Mr Ross) not to disclose the documents.
- 4. The issues raised by Mr Ross in the third and fourth paragraphs of his letter have been covered many times in previous replies.

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