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Dear Sirs,

*Re: Hepatitis Litigation*

Thank you for your fax and letter of 24<sup>th</sup> January 2000. I will be away from the office for two weeks beginning on 7<sup>th</sup> February. My last day is 4<sup>th</sup> February. In the meantime, I have arranged for the ring binders to be catalogued. I then intended to photocopy the papers and send them to you but if Tony Deas would prefer to inspect them he is very welcome. In my absence any queries can be asked of Alison Chubb **GRO-C** Alison does not work on Fridays. On that day you can refer to Mark Gidden **GRO-C**

Incidentally, I have also arranged for the Minutes of the meetings of the Advisory Committee on Hepatitis to be retrieved from remote storage. However I am told there is very little on them as the Advisory Committee on Virological Safety of Blood had the remit on Hepatitis C in the blood supply from 1989.

However, I shall forward them to you when I receive them.

Yours faithfully

**GRO-C**

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