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26th March 1990

Dr R T Wensley Consultant Haematologist North Western Regional Transfusion Centre Plymouth Grove Manchester M13 9LL

Dear Dr Wensley,

Lyophilised plasma pool; donated 6.6.85

Dr Brozovic has given me the details of this problem, which he initially handled following receipt of your fax of 2.3.90. I have now taken over, as I have consultnat responsibility for a) donor services and b) microbiology.

As you no doubt have been informed of the donors whose plasma was used in the above pool, 11 have subsequently been tested for anti-HIV and found negative (confirmed by laboratory records). One donor's record card was transferred to another region in June 1988; we therefore assume that he was tested for anti-HIV as he was an active donor in 1988. Two donor record cards cannot be traced and one has been traced but the donor has not donated since 6.6.85.

We are therefore faced with the problem that three of the donors who contributed to the above pool have probably not been tested for anti-HIV. I am most distressed that we have been presented with this problem, nearly five years from the time of the donations, since it will be impossible to trace donors whose record cards are not available. I am also disturbed that this problem should ever have arisen; especially in view of the Health Notice HN(86)25, which was implemented rigorously at this centre. We have spent a great deal of time and effort in tracing the details of the plasma pool involved in your incident, when this problem should never have presented itself to us.

We will make efforts to contact the one lapsed donor in this case. I regret that I can do nothing about the two "missing" donors. I will let you have any further information which comes to light.

Yours sincerely,

Dr P E Hewitt (Deputy Director)

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