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1st December, 1947.

Dr. Maycock,
Ministry of Health,
Whitehall,
LONDON. S.W. 1.

Dear Dr. Maycock,

Re: Jaundice following Plasma Transfusion.

A case has been reported to me of a patient from Booth Hall Hospital, Manchester, who was operated on for gangrenous appendix on 24th Sept. 1947, and on the 29th Sept. had a transfusion of Plasma, Batch No. 5132/4, 20th Oct. 1944; time taken to give it was 22-hours, no reactions were reported and comment was that there was "a marked improvement!"

The patient subsequently developed a subphrenic abscess, had a long convalescence and when about to be discharged on Novr. 19th developed jaundice with a temperature and subsequently died, diagnosis made being acute yellow atrophy.

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I have been making enquiries and the hospitals and talking to R.S.C., but in spite of the fact that I have told them many times that we wish to have cases of jaundice reported to us I fear that quite a number in this area have not been reported; the general impression I have gained, however, is that the officers who have been in the hospitals for sometime consider the Canadian plasma has been the cause of the trouble.

Yours sincerely,

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Regional Transfusion Officer.