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8th June, 1994,

Dr. I.T. Gilmore,
Consultant Physician/
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Dear Dr. Gilmore,

RE: Mr. William Murphy: dob 07.11.1934
94 Hilary Avenue, Liverpool 14.

I would be very grateful if you could see this patient of Professor Sir Robert Shields'. He is a haemophiliac who has subsequently developed cirrhosis due to Hepatitis-C and subsequently developed portal hypertension and oesophageal varices. His oesophageal varices have been obliterated by sclerotherapy.

His current problem is tense ascites, which is making his umbilical hernia uncomfortable. We have resisted operating on his hernia because of his thrombocytopenia, haemophilia and portal hypertension. Indeed, he recently had a left inguinal hernia repair and despite platelets and factor VIII, he is left with a large haematoma in the left scrotum, which is slowly resolving.

At the moment he is on Fruseride and Amiloride for his ascites.

I would be very grateful if you could offer any other medical management to make him more comfortable. I would appreciate it if you could see him fairly soon in your clinic, because of his discomfort.

Many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

MR. MARK N. HARTLEY,
SENIOR SURGICAL REGISTRAR.