

Mr Dutton

cc Dr Waiter  
Dr Maycock

Dr Raison  
Mr Nodder

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HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY

1. I enclose a copy of the note made by Mr Grimstone following Minister's recent meeting with the Society (which I was asked at the last minute to attend).
2. In regard to 2(iii), the Society representatives were clearly impressed by their visit to Dr Cleghorn's unit at Edgware, which they reported to contain (for plasmaphoresis) "a panel of 500-600 who were bled weekly". This was said to have been operating for eight years; its expansion was limited by shortage of technicians. I explained that there were professional differences of opinion about this process, though the brief note does not record this.
3. Dr Owen asked me to let him have a copy of "the MRC report" from which the Society were quoting (they mentioned Dr Rosemary Biggs). Could you have a word with Dr Waiter and let me have a note, with the Report if available, fairly soon?
4. 2(iv); this was a spontaneous offer by Dr Owen; bearing in mind DHSS Ministers' general views on "the consumer voice" I think we have no option. I tentatively agreed with Mr Polton afterwards that we might have the first meeting early next summer (possibly in May); the Society would wish it to follow one of their own regular quarterly meetings. We can consider the arrangements later.
5. On 3, Dr Owen expressed personal acquaintanceship with Dr Hardisty (whom the Society thought highly of). Could you let me have a draft letter setting out present policy and giving the up-to-date position (ie on the lines of a normal MP letter), agreed with Dr Waiter.

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