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Dan Mr. Waig .

Thank you for your letter of 12 March and for the synopsis of the presentation you and your colleagues gave when we met on 6 March and also for the further information which you enclosed.

I was interested to hear your proposals for the Bio Products Laboratory and for its future contractual relationship with the new National Blood Authority. I was also interested to see the more detailed information you have provided about the Swiss model which you have been looking to in drawing up proposals.

The technical working group set up to consider and report on operational matters related to the new National Blood Authority will be making recommendations and the contractual complexities of the NBA will be one of the main items for consideration by the group.

I have taken note of the concerns expressed in your letter, which you raised when we met, about BPL's ability to compete with other suppliers both in the UK and Europe without greater freedoms. You will recall our discussion at the last Accountability Review about the scope for BPL to exploit new markets and products. For the time being I look to you to continue to build on your recent achievements in supply of products to the NHS, and to continue to concentrate on using existing freedoms to undertake subcontract manufacture of voluntary unpaid plasma and to export products surplus to NHS requirements as we agreed last year.

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PS(L)'s VISIT TO BIO PRODUCTS LABORATORY - 6 MARCH 1992

I attach briefing for PS(L)'s visit to BPL tomorrow.

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