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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter about AIDS and I am glad to see that you will be meeting Geoffrey Finsberg on May 20th. I am sure that the present Government has made a definite commitment to U.K. self-sufficiency in blood products but I am equally sure that your strong representations about the other three points would be very appropriate. You could ask Mr. Finsberg if he could draw the attention of the MRC to AIDS and to the desirability for funding for AIDS related research projects.

One important thing to emphasise is the essential need for increased regional funding for blood transfusion centres so that they will be in a position to increase the supply of plasma for processing at Elstree. This will be even more necessary if there is any substantial demand for cryoprecipitate on the part of haemophiliacs. Such a demand could reduce the supply of available plasma at present funding levels and a considerable expansion of regional facilities will be needed in any case.

With all best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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