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David Burke/POLICY/DOH/GB/
Bruce Glendinning/PR-OFF/DC

FW: Draft to clear - H Bullock

David,

Please see comments below. Please could you arrange for the draft to be amended.

Chris

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Corrigan
Sent: 17 April 2007 11:46
To: Christopher Marchant
Subject: RE: Draft to clear - H Bullock

Thanks

It seems wrong to answer someone who is asking for an independent inquiry by only saying no we have decided not to have that particular sort of enquiry when in fact there is separately another sort of enquiry taking place (and as the comment says the Dh is co-operating with)

So I think the reply needs to say

- 1 We have decided against a public enquiry
 - 2 There is however this different sort of enquiry taking place on this issue
 - 3 These are the way of contacting that inquiry
- and

DH officials are co-operating with it
Paul

-----Original Message-----

From: Christopher Marchant
Sent: 17 April 2007 10:59
To: Paul Corrigan
Subject: FW: Draft to clear - H Bullock

Paul,

Please see DH's comments re your questions below.

Chris

-----Original Message-----

From: David.Burke@GRO-C [mailto:David.Burke@GRO-C]
Sent: 17 April 2007 10:47
To: Christopher Marchant

Cc: Bruce.Glendingning@**GRO-C**
Subject: FW: Draft to clear - H Bullock

Chris,

Lord Archer is leading an independent enquiry into contaminated blood products. I would be wary of how it is referred to in any reply, because it is being carried out independent of Government. I am led to believe it is fairly unusual for a Government department to offer this sort of co-operation to such an enquiry.

The following websites/press releases may be informative, also please note Caroline Flint's answer to a PQ on this issue pasted below:

<http://www.archercbbp.com/>

http://www.haemophilia.org.uk/?content=news&content_id=395

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"Monday 19 March 2007 PQ03871

2006/2007

Written Answer Han Ref: Vol

Wednesday 21 March 2007 Col

CONTAMINATED NHS BLOOD PRODUCTS

482 Sammy Wilson (DUP. East Antrim)

To ask the Secretary of State for Health, when she expects Lord Archer of Sandwell's enquiry into contaminated NHS blood and blood products to be completed. [128387].

CAROLINE FLINT

This is an unofficial independent public inquiry, therefore it is not a matter for the Department. "

Once more, please let me know if you would like this submitted in a more formal manner; also if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to come back to me. At this stage, I would recommend it may be wise to clear the reply to this letter with DH officials and Ministers if substantial changes are being made to the draft.

I hope this is helpful.

David Burke

Team Leader, Ministerial correspondence for MS(PH), Caroline Flint

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Helen,

Please see policy advisors comments and questions below. I would be grateful if your department could take a look at them for me.

Chris

-----Original Message-----
From: Paul Corrigan
Sent: 16 April 2007 13:41
To: Christopher Marchant
Subject: RE: Draft to clear - H Bullock

DH response is a letter to Lord Archer that a) reiterates the line in the original letter that there should not be a public enquiry (which means the original letter is fine in that respect)

and also

b) says that the Dh officials will assist 'Lord archer and his officials'
What are Lord archer and his officials doing? Is this something that can be referred to in the original Bullock reply as something else that is happening on this issue?
Paul

-----Original Message-----
From: Christopher Marchant
Sent: 10 April 2007 13:39
To: Paul Corrigan

Subject: FW: Draft to clear - H Bullock

Paul,

Please find attached DH's response to your question below. Please could you let me know how you wish to proceed.

Thanks

Chris

<< Message: FW: Draft to clear - H Bullock (Treatment for Haemophiliacs) >>

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Corrigan

Sent: 02 April 2007 10:55

To: DCU Drafts

Subject: RE: Draft to clear - H Bullock

I think, in the last few months from pervious replies on this we have agreed to an inquiry but not a formal public inquiry. If that is the caes it would be good to say so and draw the distinction between the two forms of inquiry Can you check with DH

Paul

-----Original Message-----

From: Christopher Marchant On Behalf Of DCU Drafts

Sent: 02 April 2007 10:26

To: Paul Corrigan

Subject: Draft to clear - H Bullock

Paul,

Draft and papers attached for your clearance by 04/04 please. Please remember to save any changes then forward the whole e-mail on to the next relevant person on the cover sheet.

<< File: Min Draft cover sheet.doc >> << File: Bullock incoming.pdf >> << File: Bullock draft.doc >>

Thanks

Regards

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