

POLICY IN CONFIDENCE

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**THE BIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF BLOOD: SCREENING FOR RARE VIRAL
INFECTIONS**

1. Thank you for your note attached to Mr Canavan's submission of 10 December.
2. Perm Sec is content for the submission to direct go from you rather than through him, but has made the following comment:

"I think it will be difficult for Ministers to handle. What would make it easier would be to give some reasonably hard data about one of the tests which we do not use, eg anti-HTLV1, such as costs, likely number of cases, consequences for infected individuals, cost of compensation arrangements."

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