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Dear Sirs,

SCOTTISH HAEMOPHILIA/HIV LITIGATION GROUP

Further to my letter of yesterday's date I now attach copy of a letter received from the Solicitor to the Secretary of State for Scotland. As soon as further information becomes available, it will be released to you. We have been advised, informally, that compensation from the fund will be paid through the McFarlane Trust on a "category" basis. We further understand that there will be six categories. Infected children will receive £21,500. Single men will receive £23,500. Married men without children will receive £32,000. Married men with minor children or with adult children in full time education will receive £60,500. For this purpose, the term "married" will include those who are unmarried but in a stable relationship. Intimates who have received infection from their partner will receive £23,500. Finally, we understand that parents will receive £2,000 each although this last category requires further clarification.

A condition of the payments will be that the litigation already raised with be withdrawn. If no litigation has been commenced there will be an undertaking that it will not be so commenced in the future. The payments will not effect payments of State Benefits, which will continue. Solicitors' fees will, apparently, be met.

The Steering Committee of the English HIV Litigation Group is holding a meeting in London today, which we are attending and upon which we shall report early next week. At the same time we shall, of course, provide any further information which has come to hand.

Yours faithfully,

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