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Jill,

Just to clarify, the Chief Secretary to the Treasury's office have come back to say that it is our judgement call on whether or not to appeal, but that we cannot assume that the cost of meeting any future claims would be met from the Reserve. The Secretary of State for Health has noted HMT's position, but as you know he was of the view that we should not appeal in this case.

I understand that Lord Hunt is working with officials to assess the wider implications of the judegment for the NHS. It is vital that this is done as quickly as possible so that we can take any necessary action to limit our future liability, eg through better patient information/patient consent forms etc.

Many thanks,

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