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*From the Secretary of
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Thank you for your letter of 10 March enclosing one from your constituent Mr **GRO-C** of **GRO-C** London about the funding of high purity factor VIII for the treatment of HIV infected haemophiliacs.

You will be pleased to hear that since Mr **GRO-C** wrote to you on 3 December the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) has reassessed the situation involving the funding of high purity factor VIII for HIV positive haemophilia patients. He has concluded that if treating clinicians feel that the use of high purity factor VIII has benefits for HIV positive haemophilia patients in terms of HIV infection as well as haemophilia per se, then the price differential would be an appropriate use of earmarked AIDS funds. The CMO has written to all Haemophilia Centre Directors and others telling them of this decision.

I hope this is helpful.

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