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By email and post

1 April 2016

Ref: GRO-B

Dear Sirs

Re: GRO-B

We write with reference to your email 2 February 2016 and note that you were intending to provide an agenda for the PIR listed on 12 April 2016. We would be grateful for receipt of the agenda as far in advance of the meeting as is possible. We would also be grateful for confirmation that there will be a determination of the question of whether Article 2 requires an enhanced investigation into Mr **GRO-B** death (which we do not understand to be disputed by the Department of Health), and the question which *is* in dispute between the interested persons i.e. whether the Penrose Inquiry has fully addressed the wider systemic issues and the implications of this for the scope of the inquiry. As you will be aware, the inquest was opened over 3 years ago and, although some delay has been unavoidable (the need to await the outcome of the Penrose inquiry), Mr **GRO-B** family is very anxious that there should be substantive progress now which, as a next step, requires the answering of those two questions.

In addition, although we understand that you are not intending to make a final determination of these issues until the PIR, it would be helpful to have an indication of your current view on these key issues in advance of the hearing. There may be matters on which we may be able to assist.

We also note that, in January, your request for records relating to MrGRO-B from Treloar College was outstanding. We assume that this has been resolved, but the following



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unit at Treloar College, his records were transferred to Basingstoke Haemophilia Unit at Basingstoke Hospital that is now part of the Hampshire Hospital NHS Trust. This was not his 'home' haemophilia centre and he does not know whether every individual's records were transferred in this way.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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