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Dear Brian

PLASMA INPUT TARGETS/ALBUMIN ISSUE FIGURES 1987/88

As agreed at the Supply/Demand Meeting, I now enclose:

- (a) Plasma input targets for 87/88. As we discussed, I am happy to receive any combination of PF and Cryosuper plasma and would wish to minimise the input of PS plasma. I will be forwarding a draft specification for PS/PF plasma in the near future in an attempt to minimise PS input.
- (b) Albumin (SPPS and HA) distribution figures for 87/88. You will note that there seems to be an inexorable rise in albumin demand and I am concerned that supplies at the rates proposed places us very much in a position where supply is only just balanced by plasma supply leaving little margin for error or disaster. Clearly in the short term, we can fall back on the plasma stockpile to enhance National Stocks but for the foreseeable future, I must advise that issues over and above those defined will not be possible. Perhaps I can appeal to you to make strenuous efforts to control and reduce albumin usage.

I will be happy to receive any comments on these figures.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely

GRO-C

R J PERRY
Director

cc Mr A Dickson
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Mr W Grant

Whilst it is desirable for RTC's to neither exceed or fall short of targets, unavoidable excesses may continue to be sent as immune plasma providing the option to process as fresh plasma if immune stocks become excessive. This reflects the decision reached at the Supply/Demand meeting.

The targets presented represent immune plasma requirements for product supply estimated on the basis of present demand.

PRODUCT DISTRIBUTION 87/88

IgG products, FVIII and FIX will be issued as agreed at the meeting (ie on demand).

Albumin products (SPPS and HA20) supply is becoming limited by plasma supply. Whilst adequate stocks exist at the present time, it is prudent to supply these products on a fixed monthly allocation reflecting the demand presented by RTD's at this meeting.

Product	Annual Allocation (Bottles)						TOTAL
	ABN	DUN	EDI	GLA	INV	BEL**	
SPPS (400)	7,450	6,000	*17,000	50,000	1,700	14,000	96,150
Human Albumin	220	160	350	1,500	40	2,000	4,270

* Recent information from Edinburgh BTS indicates that there has been a major increase in SPPS supply and the demand figure confirmed at the meeting (13,000 bottles per annum) is now substantially inadequate.

**Belfast supplies calculated on strict pro rata basis.

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