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Dear Tony

HAEMOPHILIA - HIV LITIGATION

Thankyou for your letter of 19 November 1990.

You and your colleagues are due my sincere apologies for the slow response to returning an edited form of the transcript you sent. I'm afraid I just had higher priorities for these last months: we've been very busy.

I trust you will find the enclosed acceptable.

In response to the questions in your letter of 19 November 1990, I would advise:

- (a) No English Health Authority approached <u>me</u>, but you had better clear your lines with the Common Services Agency and SHHD.
- (b) The plasma pool size for factor VIII at Liberton in the period 1978/1980 was 200 - 300kg
- (c) I have some difficulty in responding to the question about Dr Lane's science. I think there may be some misunderstanding and suggest you send me a copy of the letter to which you refer.

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I note, with some dismay, your comments about the anticipated thrust of the Plaintiffs' legal team and can confirm my preference to be subpoenaed. It is my earnest hope that, with the advent of new political faces, a renewed effort will be made to prevent this court action.

Kindest Regards

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Yours sincerely

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