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## ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE MACFARLANE TRUST (SPECIAL PAYMENTS) TRUST

As MS(H) knows, the Macfarlane (Special Payments) Trust was set up with a grant of £24 million to pay £20,000 to each haemophiliac infected with HIV. At the time there were an estimated 1,200 such cases but the Trust now knows of 1,219 potential beneficiaries.

The Trust has paid 1,206 from capital and the interest earned on it and is able to pay two more. However it needs an additional £120,000 to cover six further payments which it will be ready to make very shortly. Further funds may be required for the remaining five but the Trust has not asked at this time as three applications are still being validated and in two cases there is no contact with next of kin.

In view of Ministers' commitment to pay a lump sum to each infected haemophiliac it would be very difficult to refuse the Trust's request for additional funds. The £120,000 needed can be found from the CFS budget, and we wish to confirm that MS(H) is content for the payment to be made to the the Trust.

> **GRO-C** Jus Webb Toawut J CANAVAN 505 Eileen House Ext GRO-C Mr Alcock PPS/Sof S Mr Canavan MS(H) is content for the further payment to be made to the Trust. However, she feels that sof s should also be in agreement before the payment APSIMSUM)

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