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INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

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To the Scottish Parliament.

HAEMOPHILIA AND HEPATITIS C

We, the undersigned, declare that more than 300 Scottish people with haemophilia or a related bleeding disorder were infected with hepatitis C via contaminated blood products used by the NHS in the 1970s and 1980s. Some have died from liver disease and many more are suffering hardship. We have evidence also that Scottish manufactured blood product for haemophilia treatment was not made safe from HCV until 1986, a year later than that manufactured in England.

The Petitioners therefore call on the Scottish Parliament to hold an independent inquiry into hepatitis C and other infections of people with haemophilia contracted from contaminated blood products in Scotland and to consider providing financial assistance for people with haemophilia affected by HCV similar to that already provided for people with haemophilia infected with HIV.

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