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Dear Huw,

DONATION TESTING FOR HCV

I am utterly dismayed at your proposal to break ranks from the rest of the BTS of England and Wales by embarking on HCV testing in the way you have described.

I know you already realise that we have a National Directorate who have striven hard to try and generate some cohesion into our Service and your proposal can be viewed as nothing less than destructive, when other Centres are aiming to introduce their testing not so long afterwards. I would have thought commonsense would have indicated that we should all introduce testing for this reagent from the same agreed date.

I would fervently ask you to reconsider.

Yours sincerely,

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C.C. Entwistle
Director



cc. Dr. H.H. Gunson, National Director



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