## NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE



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Dear Donor,

Donation Number.

AIDS IS A VERY SERIOUS DISEASE caused by a virus, HIV. There is no risk of catching AIDS through blood donation, but HIV can be passed on to a patient by the transfusion of infected blood. It is therefore very important that you read and understand what is said in the AIDS leaflet each time before you donate.

Your blood will be tested for HIV. It is possible for the test to be negative in the early stages of infection. All donors are therefore asked to read this form and complete it carefully.

All information will be kept strictly confidential.

YOU MUST NOT GIVE BLOOD

- 1. If you know you are infected with HIV (the AIDS virus)
- 2. If you are a man who has had sex with another man at any time since 1977
- 3. If you have misused drugs by injecting yourself at any time
- 4. If you have had sex at any time since 1977 with men or women who live, or have lived in African countries (except those bordering the Mediterranean)
- 5. If you have had sex with anyone in the above groups
- 6. If you are the sexual partner of a haemophiliac

7. If you are a prostitute (male or female)

8. If you have had sex with a prostitute

Do any of the above apply to you?

YES NO

If your answer is "Yes", do not donate blood. You may leave without any questions being asked. If it is impossible for you to leave without donating today, please make sure you have ticked the "Yes" box. Your blood will be tested but will not be used for a patient.

If you have any questions, please ask to speak to our doctor. Please fold this form and place in the box provided. Thank you.