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## AIDS <sup>5 29/11/89</sup> leaflet

A Scottish Minister last night announced a fresh initiative to combat the spread of the killer disease AIDS in Scotland.

Mr John Mackay, the Scottish Health Minister, said in a Commons reply that the Blood Transfusion Service in Scotland, in consultation with his department, had issued a revised leaflet on the disease, three confirmed cases of which have been registered in Scotland.

AIDS is particularly prevalent among sexually active homosexuals but it can also be spread through blood transfusion donations and Mr Mackay said steps were being taken to ensure that the new leaflet was seen by all potential blood donors in Scotland before they gave blood.

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