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INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

FIRST WRITTEN STATEMENT OF JOHN EDWARD MOY

I, John Edward Moy will say as follows:-

Section 1. Introduction

1. My name is John Edward Moy. I was born on GRO-C 1939 and I live at GRO-C
GRO-C with my second wife. I was self-employed; however I am now retired and receive a state pension.
2. I make this statement as the Father of Andrew Jonathan Moy (deceased) who was infected with HIV, Hepatitis B and C as a result of receiving contaminated blood products and who died on GRO-C March 1998

Section 2. How Affected

3. My son had Hemophilia A classed as severe. He was diagnosed when he was a baby as he bruised very easily and we went to Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge where we were informed of his condition.
4. Andrew was treated with Cryoprecipitate at the Hematology laboratory in Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge. Andrew was first given Factor VIII Concentrate when he was about 15 years old, which he self-administered at home. The Factor VIII Concentrate was supplied by Addenbrooke's Hospital.

Andrew's mother Helen (my first wife) and I were told that a possible side effect of using Factor VIII concentrate was Jaundice. This was the only risk we were warned of.

5. I confirm that my son Andrew was infected with HIV, Hepatitis B and C as a result of being given contaminated blood products.
6. I found out in early January 1988, that Andrew had been infected, with HIV because I had heard in the media of the possibility of infections arising from using Factor VIII concentrate so I asked Andrew to give me permission to speak to his consultant, Doctor GRO-D at Addenbrooke's Hospital. I saw Doctor Seaman on 15 January 1988 and she told me that Andrew was HIV, Hepatitis B and C positive. Andrew had been told several months before, however he chose to keep his infected status a secret.
7. The information that was given to me about Andrew's HIV was not adequate as I was not sure how the HIV would affect him throughout his life and what could be done to treat him. I believe Andrew's diagnosis should have been shared with his mother and I when the doctors first became aware. I don't believe I should have had to make the appointment to see Doctor GRO-D; I should have been called in for an appointment to discuss Andrew's condition.
8. I cannot comment on how Andrew was told he was infected with HIV, Hepatitis B and C. I also cannot comment on the information that was given to Andrew regarding the risks of others being infected as a result of his infection as I was not present at the time.

Section 3: Other Infections

9. I believe it was possible Andrew may have also been infected with vCJD as a result of being given infected blood products.

Section 4: Consent

10. I believe as a result of media coverage and from talking to other victims, that Andrew was tested without his knowledge and without his consent and that he was not given adequate or full information regarding the blood tests which he underwent. I also believe Andrew was tested and treated for the purposes of research.

Section 5: Impact

11. The medication for Hepatitis C had quite serious side effects on Andrew. Physically Andrew was very thin and skeletal in form. Andrew also suffered regular bouts of chronic diarrhoea and vomiting. Andrew's nervous system seemed to be affected as he had a constant tremor. Although Andrew was mentally very strong and he never complained about his infections, he struggled at work. He decided not to tell any of his colleagues of his infected status as he wanted to protect himself and his family from the stigma associated with having HIV but it became increasingly difficult to hide.

12. I constantly felt guilty when I saw Andrew struggle as a result of his HIV infection. His infected status put enormous pressure and caused immense friction between his mother and I.

13. Andrew had 7 brothers and sisters and the impact that his infected status had on the family was devastating. After the divorce, Andrew's sister Alison left the family home to live with her grandmother and she is no longer in physical contact with any of our family. Near the end of Andrew's life, his other sister, Emily really struggled watching his health deteriorate and subsequently failed all of her O-Level exams, which she had to retake the following year. Andrew's third Sister Amy who was working with a charity in Guatemala, had a GRO-C and was GRO-C
GRO-C Andrew's other sister Catherine had GRO-C
GRO-C during the time Andrew spent in hospital towards the end of his life. All

of Andrew's siblings were very upset, in addition to the foster children who were living with us at the time.

14. Andrew's infected status also had an impact on his girlfriend Tina's family.

She had become infected with HIV as they had been sexually active prior to Andrew's diagnosis. Tina's HIV developed in to AIDS and was killing her very quickly. As Tina did not appear to have long to live they decided to get married in 1995; however, sadly Tina passed away six months later.

15. Andrew and Tina had decided that they would be buried next to each other when they died. When Andrew passed away **GRO-D** attempted to stop Andrew from being buried next to Tina, which caused trouble between her family and ours. Additionally, Tina had received £20,000 from the Macfarlane Trust as a result of being infected with HIV through sexual intercourse with **GRO-C**. Subsequently, the evening before Tina and Andrew's wedding, **GRO-D** stormed into their room ordering Tina to transfer the £20,000 into **GRO-D** account. **GRO-D**'s behavior impacted on our family negatively and destroyed what should have been a very joyful day for the family.

16. As a family we did not suffer from the stigma associated with Andrew being infected with HIV, Hepatitis B and C as Andrew had decided not to share his diagnosis with any one and so we as a family we also refrained from telling anyone.

17. Andrew's infection fortunately did not impact on his education. However it did affect his financial circumstances towards the end of his life. Andrew had worked as an Engineer at my company and was excelling in his career. I sold my half share in the Company and left Andrew to run the Company with the new part owner. I bought a cycle shop, however two years prior to Andrew's death his health started to deteriorate, and he was unable to continue work, and eventually he went into bankruptcy. I then took early retirement from the cycle shop so I could help Andrew get around and spend time with him.

Section 6. Treat/Care/Support

18. Andrew faced great difficulty in accessing the HIV treatment that was available in England because he was infected with a rare strain of HIV and the doctors also claimed that treating the Hepatitis C infection with Interferon would affect his HIV infection negatively.
19. Andrew was offered counselling by Addenbrooke's Hospital and a counsellor named Ruth Whitehead was appointed. I believe the psychological support given to Andrew by Ruth Whitehead was adequate as he seemed to be coping with being infected with HIV, Hepatitis B and C very well. However, no counselling or psychological support has ever been offered to me, had such support been offered to me I would have accepted the help.

Section 7. Financial Support

20. Andrew received £20,000 in 1990 and £21,000 in 1991 from the Macfarlane Trust and a £119 grant for a hire car from the Skipton Fund. The only precondition I am aware of is the waiver which Andrew had to sign, in order to receive the £20,000 from the Macfarlane Trust.
21. I received £1,000 from the MacFarlane Trust towards Andrew's funeral costs and a payment of £20,000 in September 2011 and £50,000 in January 2012 from the Skipton Fund
22. The process of applying was very difficult. The Skipton Fund requested a lot of information, and most of the medical information that was required for the application forms had been lost by the hospitals.
23. I became aware of the Skipton Fund through the Haemophilia Society magazine. I believe the payments which Andrew received were not adequate as Andrew struggled financially up until his death.

Section 8: Other Issues

24. The response from the successive Governments has been appalling and I am very dissatisfied, angry and annoyed at their behaviour in trying to cover up all what has gone on

Anonymity, disclosure and redaction

I do not wish to apply for anonymity and I am happy to give oral evidence.

Signed. GRO-C

Dated. 20-12-2018

(Signed electronically)