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1. SofS has seen M(H) note of 1 May to PS(H).
2. She has commented that there will always be new examples where no fault compensation becomes an issue and believes that we must hold a consistent line. Other areas where comparison may already be drawn include thalidomide and haemophiliacs with HIV/AIDS. SofS is concerned that growth hormone may bring a similar campaign.
3. SofS has asked that:
 - we establish the views of the territorials, and;
 - the senior official talk Carolyn Fairbairn from No 10 through the issues.
4. Can I, by way of this minute, ask Mr Scofield to initiate action as necessary.

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