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Dear Derrick

FACTOR VIII

- 1 The Local Directors have discussed the Elstree protocols and are not very interested in their offer of an interim heat-treated product likely to be available for only 2-3 months. They prefer to wait until April when a better product is promised. This also will need full evaluation for safety and efficiency. Never-the-less I have applied to Elstree for heat-treated material for 10 heavy users to test their reaction.
- 2 In the interim all are willing to use untreated BPL factor VIII. I calculate that we may need another 500 vials in March in addition to the 1000 vials ordered by telephone as several urgent surgical procedures are in the offering.
- 3 Heat-treated - Commercial.
Stocks should last till the end of March unless any heavy users are found to be anti-HELV negative and are refused by Elstree. In this case they would need to transfer to commercial material immediately.
- Bradford may need more commercial HFEVIII.
- 4 When BPL heat treated material is ordered, we agree that it should be distributed via the BES. There would be no problem in submitting patients names and centres to you so that the records of the total supply position can be collected monthly.
- 5 There is still interests in a better version of cryoprecipitate ie: smaller volume.

As agreed I will meet you on 19.2.85 to review the situation.

Yours sincerely

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