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Dr. Rosemary Biggs,  
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Headington,  
Oxford.

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Dear Dr. Biggs,

At the meeting of the working party on cryoprecipitate you mentioned the possibility of your being able to issue a plasma standard for A.H.F. assay. Dr. Woodfield has also reminded me that when he visited your laboratory recently you were perfecting a new "3 in 1" factor VIII assay reagent.

I would be most grateful if you would put me on your "mailing list" when these reagents become available. I am sure more standardisation is badly needed and as we are - I believe like yourself - planning a very much increased production of factor VIII, I am anxious that the product should conform to an acceptable standard from the "manufacturing" as well as the clinical aspects.

I am sure that there is really no valid reason for a shortage of "coagulation factor" products for therapy in this country and recent results from the use of frozen plasma for producing a concentrate, make me more than ever convinced that cryoprecipitate will probably have a minor role and that centralised production by other methods will be perfectly feasible.

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Dr. R. A. Cumming  
Regional Director

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