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Dear Caroline

MR AND MRS LEWIS, GRO-C CARDIFF.
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Thank you for your letter of the 21st March and firstly may I apologise for advising that both Mr and Mrs Lewis are suffering from Hepatitis C and HIV; Mrs Lewis suffers from HIV but not Hep C.

I note your final paragraph and the distinction between the Republic of Ireland and the UK is, of course, as a result of the outcome of their Public Inquiry. Unfortunately, Westminster has not authorised the holding of a Public Inquiry in the UK and, if it did, an independent body may well find in favour of the claimants, especially in view of the source of the contaminated blood products.

I appreciate that such an Inquiry would depend upon the submission of certain evidence but trust that the failure to properly archive many relevant papers and their subsequent erroneous destruction will not impede the path of natural justice.

I look forward to receiving your further views.

Yours sincerely,

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