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29 Nov 83

Dear Mr Jones,

Further to the Council's letter of 18 Nov 83, Mr George Woodhouse, managing editor of THE MAIL ON SUNDAY has told the Council that he is dealing with threatened legal action involving the Haemophilia Society about the story headlined "The Scandal of GRO-A death".

As you are aware, the Council will not investigate the complaint or publish an adjudication while legal proceedings are in progress, but will investigate any outstanding ethical issue once proceedings are at an end. Do you have any knowledge of these threatened legal proceedings?

Yours sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary.