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INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

FIFTH WRITTEN STATEMENT OF IAN GREEN

I provide this statement in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 dated 18 November 2022 and a supplementary request dated 2 December 2022.

I, Ian Richard Green, will say as follows: -

Introduction

1. My name is Ian Richard Green (DOB: GRO-C65), Chief Executive of Terrence Higgins Trust. My work address is 439, Caledonian Road, London N7 9BG. I hold a Bachelor of Arts degree, am a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and a Justice of the Peace (now on the Supplemental List). I have lived experience of HIV, having been diagnosed in 1996.
2. Terrence Higgins Trust ("THT") is the UK's leading HIV and sexual health charity focusing on HIV prevention, enabling people to live well with HIV and to amplify the voices of people living with or affected by the virus.
3. I respond to numbered paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Rule 9 request as follows.

Paragraph 1

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 - a. Since December 2020 funds have been spent on

- i. Staff salaries and associated costs for two part-time members of staff; therapists and therapy materials and supplies; surveys of former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries; print and design for publications; research and communications, recently in collaboration with Factor 8; staff travel, subsistence and accommodation; volunteer travel and subsistence; IT software licences; legal fees; VAT (unrecoverable).
 - ii. The results of the survey are attached as Exhibit WITN3075038 to this statement. In addition the outcome of the survey was published on the Macfarlane section of THTs website <https://www.tht.org.uk/news/hearing-voices-macfarlane-community>
 - iii. THT does not currently provide – nor invite applications for - grants to individual beneficiaries.
 - iv. The services provided by THT are intended to benefit, and are available, to all former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries in accordance with the Deed of Gift; there are no eligibility criteria *per se*. For example, professional trauma counselling is a service offered to beneficiaries. This service is promoted on THT's website (tht.org.uk/macfarlane); in our newsletter, for those beneficiaries who have signed up for it; and on the Infected Blood Inquiry website. The one-to-one support provided by our Community Liaison Officer (who is a Macfarlane Beneficiary) is also available to all former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries.
- b. As of 30 September 2022 the outstanding balance is £456,933.
 - c. Beyond continuing our provision of trauma therapy; one-to-one support to members of the community; research and communications, in collaboration with Factor 8; and advocacy around issues impacting former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries, we are in the process of launching a peer-to-peer support programme. We will continue to work with our Services Panel and our Advocacy and Public Affairs Panel to advance this work.

Paragraph 2

- 5. Initially, an advisory group ('beneficiary user group'), made up of a number of former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries, was set up. It created the staff structure for this work and set out the initial work programme. However, as the advisory group structure was not working particularly well, it was restructured in May 2021. Now we have in place three consultative structures. First, the Macfarlane Conversation, which runs

meetings, typically with an external speaker, to consider and discuss matters of interest to beneficiaries. Most recently the Macfarlane Conversation was attended by Wes Streeting MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Health and Social Care. Second, a Services Panel, which considers the services being provided to beneficiaries by THT. And third an Advocacy and Public Affairs Panel, which considers matters which may need to be raised with politicians, governmental bodies and the Inquiry.

6. All former Macfarlane Trust beneficiaries are welcome to attend these meetings which are informal in nature. The meetings are advertised to all of the Macfarlane community who have given us permission to contact them with bulk emails and through our newsletter. Any member of the Macfarlane community (who fall under the definition of beneficiary under the objectives of the Macfarlane Trust) who wishes to attend can join and participate in any panel at any point they want.
7. When we set up this process for consultation we envisaged that they would meet every 6 weeks. In practice they have met when necessary. Sometimes, such as when we were producing the submission for Sir Robert Francis KC, the Advocacy and Public Affairs Panel met every few weeks and at other times the Panels have met less frequently.
8. The following description is made available to beneficiaries so they are aware of the purpose of each of the panels.

Services Panel:

“As a member of a panel, you can expect respect and for your opinions to be listened to. Your opinions will form part of the development of the service but other views from those both inside Terrence Higgins Trust and outside organisations with specialist knowledge will also form part of the services development process.

We will always keep you informed of progress in service development at the key milestones for delivery.”

Public Affairs and Advocacy Panel

“This panel is an opportunity for service users to consult with Terrence Higgins Trust on the details of this work and to share their experience to add value to the work we do. Public Affairs and Advocacy work will primarily be aimed at The Infected Blood Inquiry, the study into a compensation framework and the infected blood support schemes. We will work with other third sector groups and campaign groups on

infected blood to achieve success. By working together, we can build for the best possible outcomes for all of the MacFarlane community.

There are two areas of public affairs and advocacy work where the consultation group will be consulted. These are policy development and helping to shape significant pieces of work that will be used to lobby.”

The panels are informal and consultative. The panels are intended to seek views in relation to service developments and policy/advocacy activities through informal processes. They are not decision making bodies.

Statement of Truth

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed

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Dated 12th December 2022