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Dear Jessie,

REQUEST FOR AN URGENT MEETING WITH JOHN REID MP

Further to our telephone conversation today, this letter is to request a meeting with John Reid MP. As discussed earlier, I am a representative of the Scottish Haemophilia Groups Forum who works closely with Haemophilia Action UK, and members of both would like to request an urgent meeting.

We believe that the facts of our case have not been made open and we want a public inquiry. 1000s have died and 1000s more will die and I feel it is only right that we be sent to our graves with at the very least, the truth. Also this latest offer of financial assistance does not come anywhere close to what we deserve or what other countries with similar or better safety records have given to their Hepatitis C sufferers. We would like then to meet with John Reid and Malcolm Chisholm to discuss these points.

Please do not write back and say this is a devolved matter for the respective parliaments, as the decisions that caused the scandal were made from Westminster and so the solution should come from there too.

Also the actions of the Westminster government regarding Scotland's right to pay and the claw-back issues have demonstrated clearly that London controls every aspect of the haemophilia infection cover-up. We have very recently acquired new documents which are even more incriminating for the Government and we would like to meet with the health minister as a matter of urgency i.e. we are dying. If you could see to this as soon as possible that would be appreciated. The bottom line is countries which have better safety records have put high ranking politicians, health officials in jail and given millions of pounds of compensation and we find this latest offering unacceptable.

Yours sincerely

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