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To: Rejman CAOPU2

From: Ruth McEwen SOLB4

Ms C Corrigan CAOPU2

Date: 2 August 1996

RE: HEPATITIS C

1. Thank you for your minute of 31 July 1996.
2. I am aware that you believe it to be inappropriate and a waste of resources to undertake further discovery at this stage. However, the reason for my minute of 29 July was that there seemed to be confusion as to who will be responsible for any further discovery within CAOPU2. I understood from Anne Towner that it would be yourself and I simply wish this to be clarified. I want CAOPU2 to be aware that discovery may have to start in the near future and I want us to be in the position to start work on it promptly. It is therefore important that I know who will be undertaking the work, if it is required. It may well be that there are files in storage and it would seem sensible, and indeed usual, to start thinking about matters such as locating the relevant files now.
3. I would ask that your suggestion to Mr Pudlo that Mr Burrage be contacted about the missing original documents from the HIV discovery be carried out if this has not already been done.
4. I would be grateful for an indication of whether HP are likely to have any relevant documents to either blood product or blood transfusion claims. Would they have documents additional to CAOPU2? If they are likely to, I would wish to put them on notice that discovery may have to be carried out.
5. Many thanks.

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D. Rejman

*cc Mrs Corrigan
Miss Towner
me*

*You do, of course, have overall
responsibility for this - which does not
mean that you personally have to
find all the files!*

*Copy to
Mr Guinness
Ann Towner*

*Spl to C. Corrigan 6/8
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? Jackson-Adams will do
for Discovery*

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