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ADVICE ON PQ 2447

I refer to your minute of 9th "May" (presumably June).

I cannot find any past papers on this but I don't think they are necessary as the letter of 28 July 1998 speaks for itself. I also doubt whether it really matters whether or not the letter of 28 July was attributing reasons to the previous government's decision.

The Lord Morris is again requesting information about the previous government's statement. He previously asked this on 24 May col 631.

I think you should refer him to MoH's comments 16 November 1987 columns 773 (paras 3 and 4) and column 777 (para 2). You could then continue "The Secretary of State for Health, when he wrote to the Haemophiliac Society on 28 July 1998, said with regard to the decision (etc as in yours)".

At col 77 para 2 (ie in 1987) MoH refers to what the Haemophiliac Society said, implying he accepted their arguments. If you can find what they said or any reference to it you may have the missing piece of the jigsaw.

I also wonder whether anything more on the grounds for making HIV a special case might have been said in the Lords in 1987.

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