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MEMO TO DIRECTOR

I refer to your memo of 7 October to Mr. [REDACTED]. I note you will be considering with Mr. Hyder how best to approach other countries about the availability of "AIDS-free" Factor VIII. I would myself have thought it ill-advised to tackle this through the WHO since we are taking a very independent line which may in fact not necessarily be approved of by WHO. What if all countries adopted our approach? In fact I do not think we need go too far in exploring the availability of suitable products from elsewhere. Surely it would be sufficient to approach two or three of the "respectable" large countries who have volunteer donor panels to see what they say. If as we suspect the answer was negative our approach need go no further.

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