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4th October, 1984.

Head of Quality Control,  
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Dear

To confirm and my own telephone calls to you within the last day or two. We have been informed that one of our male donors has been admitted into a Bournemouth hospital; the clinical diagnosis is, almost certainly, AIDS. His symptoms are a rash resembling Kapos's Sarcoma, leucopenia, and anaemia; he is also a practising homosexual.

Details of his previous known donations are:-

1. 21st November, 1982. Cottingham. Leeds R.T.C. Donation not used. Time expired plasma pooled and sent to B.P.L. 11th July, 1983, under Batch No. C3162 (Details from ).
2. 7th September, 1983. Bournemouth. Whole blood donation sent to one of our Portsmouth hospitals and not returned (see below).
3. 27th March, 1984. Bournemouth. F.F.P. sent to B.P.L. 6th April, 1984, under Batch No. S/P 4333, Pack No. CO3 358 58. Plasma reduced blood sent to one of our Portsmouth hospitals and not returned (see below).
4. 25th September, 1984. Bournemouth. Plasma separated and frozen. Red cells destroyed. A 10 ml plasma aliquot being sent to Tedder, Middlesex Hospital, today.

Regarding Donations 2 and 3. We are not getting in touch with the clinicians involved until the diagnosis is confirmed.

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There is also a possibility of a donation before November 1982 in this region, which we are attempting to trace. I will, of course, contact you again when definite information is available.

We are also obtaining more information from the Haemophilia Centres, as you requested yesterday evening, which I will pass on to you.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Medical Director

Copy: \_\_\_\_\_, MD, MRCP, MRCPath.,  
Director,  
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Sent to: Consultant Haematologists i/c Haemophilia Centres  
, Lord Mayor Treloars Hospital, Alton.  
, Royal Victoria Hospital, Bournemouth.  
, St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth.  
, Southampton General Hospital.  
, Salisbury Infirmary.  
, Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester.  
Dorchester.

Dear

St. Mary's Hospital, Newport, IOW.

B.P.L. Factor VIII Batch No. H.L.3186

With further reference to ; telephone call to your  
Blood Bank Chief MLSO yesterday, asking for the above quoted  
batch of Factor VIII to be recalled and returned to us.

The reason for this is that one of the donors whose plasma was  
incorporated in this pool is now thought to be suffering from  
AIDS. Investigations are being carried out and the diagnosis  
should be settled, one way or the other, within the next week  
or two. In the meantime, may I confirm I request  
and ask for all unused ampoules of this batch to be recalled  
and returned to this Centre.

In order to prevent undue worry to your patients, may I ask  
for your discretion here and, for the time being at least, to  
keep this new to yourself. When any definite information  
does become available, either or myself will let you  
know.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Medical Director

Copy to: Regional Medical Officer,  
Wessex Regional Health Authority.