

Tuesday, 17 April 2012

Ms Gemma Lovell & Mr Nick Gardiner The Penrose Inquiry 44 Drumsheugh Gardens Edinburgh EH3 7SW

Dear Mr Gardener and Ms Lovell.

Bleeding Disorder Statistics for the Penrose Inquiry, from The UK National Haemophilia Database (2nd Edn.)

I enclose the second edition of our statistical report for the Penrose Inquiry. We will send you five bound copies by post (more if you wish).

This has taken longer than expected. We went back to the original paper archive for much of this since some data had not been entered into the database at the time and our first edition was largely based on extracts from the database on the false assumption that everything had been entered. Mistakes in the original paper submissions have also been identified from time to time and corrected where possible. We have closed up many of the gaps. We have cross-checked the data with Scottish Centres as far as their existing documentation has permitted.

We have gone as far as we think is currently possible to establish where individuals were infected with HIV. In some cases, patients first reported to have HIV by Scottish Centres were infected elsewhere and, in two cases, outside the United Kingdom.

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In one or two cases, patients reported to have HIV by English Centres appear to have been infected in Scotland. These are reported.

The resulting report, at 75 pages, is more than 50% longer than the first edition. Those that this is helpful. If you have any questions let me know.

We also enclose an invoice for work undertaken in relation to this report. I have not charged for my own time, reasoning that the NHS has already paid for that!

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Dr Charles RM Hav

On behalf of the UK National Haemophilia Database