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PHLS EVALUATION OF DIAGNOSTIC KITS

Since our discussion this morning, I have heard about the current progress on the evaluation being undertaken by PHLS. [Redacted] and [Redacted] have both submitted material to [Redacted] for evaluation. However, in both instances, this material has been withdrawn by the manufacturers from the evaluation process because they wish to replace one or other of the agents originally supplied. As a result, there will be a delay in reporting the results of evaluations undertaken solely as a result of the manufacturers.

These circumstances illustrate that manufacturers are not confident of their reagents' performance. It follows that there is reason to be cautious about the introduction of any diagnostic tests on the scale required for the Regional Transfusion Service until these reagents have been properly evaluated.

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