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Dr. Charles Cameron,  
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Dear Charles,

I thank you for your kind letter of 22 November, 1976. I felt sure that you would understand my reasons for writing to you and to our colleagues. My conscience was troubling me, because I felt that I would not be a very convincing spokesman on your behalf although I have our joint interests very much at heart. I am sending copies of this letter to our director colleagues and to Morag Corrie.

We are rightly concerned about the future management of the SNETS and I do hope that SHHD will agree to our very reasonable request to have a frank discussion. I will keep pressing this request whenever I have an opportunity. In fact, there would seem to be no harm in each of us repeating the request to Archie McIntyre for a meeting.

While we are naturally concerned about the management structure, I feel that the most important subject for discussion with SHHD is the intrusion of commercial firms into our work. From occasional snatches of conversation which I have had with officers of SHHD and of DHSS as well as with transfusion colleagues in England, I think we are all aware of the current determination of pharmaceutical firms not only to break into the British market, but even to become operational. If this is the true situation, then I think the sooner we have discussions with SHHD the better. I recall that in our meetings with Mr. Elliot Binns in early 1974, we expressed very clearly our fears about commercial intrusion and the serious consequences that this might have for the voluntary donor organization in the UK.

With kindest regards,  
Yours sincerely,



Regional Director.

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