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Appendix AReport on Setting-up of Working Parties

At the last meeting of the Haemophilia Centre Directors held on 13.1.77 at the Middlesex Hospital, London, it was agreed that working parties should be set up "to study problems of interest to Haemophilia Centre Directors and patients". A questionnaire has been sent round asking Haemophilia Centre Directors and others interested in the problems of haemophilia for their views about possible subjects for study by working parties. The answers obtained showed that there was interest in the setting-up of working parties on a number of topics. Those topics were discussed at the meeting of Reference Centre Directors held in Oxford in May, 1977, and it was agreed that working parties should be set-up as shown below:-

1. Home therapy and prophylaxis of haemophilia and Christmas disease:

Chairman - Dr. P. Jones (Newcastle)

Members - Sister M. Fearn (Newcastle)

Dr. C.D. Forbes (Glasgow)

Dr. J. Stuart (Birmingham)

2. Treatment of patients having factor VIII antibodies

Chairman - Dr. C.R.M. Prentice (Glasgow)

Members - Dr. F.E. Preston (Sheffield)

Dr. I.W. Delamore (Manchester)

Mr. T. Snape (Oxford)

Prof. A.L. Bloom (Cardiff)

Prof. G.I.C. Ingram (London)

3. Detection of Carriers of haemophilia

Chairman - Prof. A.L. Bloom (Cardiff)

Members - Dr. C.R.M. Prentice (Glasgow)

Dr. C.D. Forbes (Glasgow)

Dr. C.R. Rizza (Oxford)

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4. Hepatitis in haemophilia and Christmas disease

Chairman - Dr. J. Craske (Manchester)

Members - Miss R.J.D. Spooner (Oxford)

Dr. P. Kirk (Bristol)

Dr. S.H. Davies (Edinburgh)

5. Standardization of reagents and assay methods for factor VIII

Chairman - Dr. C.R. Rizza (Oxford)

Members - Prof. G.I.C. Ingram (London)

Dr. T. Barrowcliffe (NIBSC)

Dr. T.B.L. Kirkwood (NIBSC)

Mr. I.L. Rhymes (Oxford)

It is envisaged that additional member(s) will be co-opted to the Working Parties from time-to-time to provide the Working Parties with Specialist advice and/or Services.

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