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Dear Mr Evans,

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1162227

Thank you for your request dated 5 January in which you asked the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC):

“Subject: Freedom of Information request - MFT Corr Nov 2018

Dear Department of Health and Social Care,

Under FOI, I am requesting the following information:

Copies of all correspondence between the Infected Blood Policy team at DHSC and the Macfarlane Trust during the period 1st November 2018 - 30th November 2018.”

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

DHSC holds the information you have requested. The emails and documents you requested are attached to the email accompanying this letter.

Please note that some of this information has been redacted under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act which provides for the protection of personal information. Section 40 prohibits a public body from disclosing personally identifiable information as doing so would contravene data protection principles.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the address at the top of this letter, or the email address at the end of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) who may decide to investigate your concerns. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response, and received our internal review response. The ICO will not usually investigate concerns where there has been an

undue delay in bringing it to their attention. You should raise your concerns with them within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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