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The Commissioner of Health
Department of Health
Murray Street
PERTH WA

Dear Sir,

Your letter dated 25th January and posted by boat mail has
just arrived.

It is most unfortunate that so much was made of Mr Rodoreda's
letter which was given to Dr Saint purely for guidance and
should not have been passed on. In a desire to press our
claim for hospitalisation, which is becoming more urgent each
day, we wished to let Dr Saint have details of any
developments so that he could discuss the matter with you
whilst he was in Perth, otherwise the letter would have been
destroyed. Unless you have already contacted Mr Rodoreda I
would prefer that you awaited my next visit to Perth when I
hope to see him and will cover the subject with him. I hope
also to call on you.

We are pleased that some steps have been taken regarding the
design of an hospital. The plan submitted by us was intended
only as a subject for discussion as it was realised that
improvements could doubtless be suggested as a result of your
experience of other hospitals.

We are pleased to note your reaction to the suggestion that
Onslow and Roebourne hospitals may be utilised. This would
be of no benefit whatever.

Regarding the cost of the building we shall undertake to
erect the building on behalf of the Department but it was
agreed some time ago that it would, when necessary, be
financed by the Government.

We would appreciate any correspondence on this subject being
posted air mail as your last letter took five weeks to reach
here.

Again regretting the unfortunate results of endeavouring to expedite the building of our hospital.

Yours faithfully,
For AUSTRALIAN BLUE ASBESTOS LIMITED

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