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SUPRA REGIONAL SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP

SECOND MEETING 1990

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 July 1990 at 1.00 pm in Room 63,
Hannibal House, Elephant and Castle, London SE1

Present: Sir Michael Carlisle (Chairman)
Mr T English
Sir A Grabham
Mr T Hunt
Mr R Malley
Professor D A Shaw
Mr A C Taylor

In Attendance: Mr A S Angilley (Secretary)
Dr N P Halliday (Medical Secretary)
Mrs J Ferguson
Miss Leibling (item 5c)
Dr Munday (item 5c)
Mr McGlinn (Welsh Office)
Mr J Sherriff
Mr S Whiteley (item 4c)
Miss P M C Winterton

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Mr M Davies, Dr Ferguson-Lewis, Dr Horsley, Dr Jones, Dr Kenward, Professor Peckham and Mrs Roy. The Chairman noted Professor Peckham's appointment as the first Director of Research and Development from 1 January 1991. A new representative of the Special Health Authorities would therefore be needed.

2. Minutes of the First Meeting (8 February 1990)

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Future Arrangements for supra regional services

4.1 Policy on funding SRS(90)5.1

The Secretariat reported that Ministers had accepted the recommendations of the Advisory Group for the future funding arrangements of the supra regional services.

4.2 Function of the Advisory Group and the Management of Contracts SRS(90)5.2

Dr Halliday said that the paper suggested that the function of the Advisory Group would remain essentially unchanged in the reformed NHS. Arrangements for managing contracts had not yet been agreed, but the NHS Management Executive (ME), rather than the Department's Policy Group, would provide these. The ME would be the contract holder and would