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IN MEMORY OF MR GORDON HIGSON

It is with great regret that I have heard of the recent passing of Mr Gordon Higson on Thursday 9 August 2001.

Mr Higson was one of the original and principal founders of the Global Harmonisation Task Force (GHTF). In addition, he was also the Director of the UK Department of Health's Scientific and Technical Branch (predecessor of the current Medical Devices Agency).

Mr Higson was the first Chairman of the ISO Technical Committee, TC210 (with which the GHTF now has a formal Memorandum of Understanding). Mr Higson also went on to be a success with Medical Technology Consultants and held numerous other positions that touched many people involved in the medical devices field.

On behalf of all representatives of the GHTF, I wish to pay tribute to Mr Higson's pioneering efforts towards the international approach to harmonising medical device regulatory requirements. The GHTF membership also extends its sincerest sympathies to Mr Higson's family and close friends.

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