

“Cokeswithin”
99, Kerching Drive
Twickenham, Middx, UK

British Organ Donor Society,
BODY,
Balsham,
Cambridge,
CB1 6DL.

13th August

Dear Body,

I have some very fine organs. My heart, kidneys, liver, and lungs are all in tip-top condition. I use my ears professionally and my eyes see beyond twenty-twenty. My reproductive organ is second only to the Old Testament Patriarchs, and my brain is hopefully getting better, bigger, wiser, fuller and more mature as I progress through the years.

OK so why the letter? Well, I'm suggesting a move away from the rather illogical procedures of donating my organs, and instead, offering you all of the above for a specific fee. Why shouldn't I benefit from this now? If you agree to pay me for my organs, I will promise to care for them even more than I am doing at the moment.

I will further undertake to get annual examinations, and guarantee that my diet, and supplements will follow specific guidelines as suggested by you, and my doctor.

I am presently a vegetarian and haven't eaten red meat for thirty years. I don't drink alcohol (in excess anyway). I'm off dairy, wheat, and chips and I eat fruit and vegetables like an elephant.

I have enclosed an invoice of charges for my specific organs, and should you agree, I would be happy to accept a down payment as a gesture of goodwill.

What do you think? I guess I'd be happy for my heirs to receive any funds payable at a later stage, but it strikes me as silly not to take full advantage now of what is actually mine, as well as using it as an incentive to live better and have a healthier lifestyle.

So that's it. How do you feel about this? I know that my wife and my children would also be happy to be part of this new scheme, and of course, I'd do a special deal for a "job lot" so to speak!

I hope you find this idea of interest and that it may begin a new chapter in organ donations (for a fee) for BODY.*

I look forward with great interest to your reply.

Yours sincerely



Bob Howard

Sales Invoice

Date: _____ Invoice No: _____
 From: "Cookeswithin" 99, Kerching Drive,
 Twickenham, Middx, UK

Qty	Description	Amount exclusive of V.A.T. £	V.A.T. Net £
	Organs for sale. To include:		
	Heart	£1,000.00p	
	Liver	£1,000.00p	
	Kidneys. Each	£ 750.00p	
	Lungs	£3,000.00p	
	Penis and testicles (inc)	£1,500.00p	
	Brain and attached matter	£5,000.00p	
	Eyes, ears, nose, teeth, etc etc	£ 800.00p	
	Remainder of organs negotiable as per requested.		
	* Instead of BODY it would be BODFAFY (British Organ Donations for a Fee Society); Sounds like a small village in Wales doesn't it?		
	Sub total exc. V.A.T.£		
	V.A.T.£		
	Total due£		

V.A.T. rate.....
 Payment terms.....
 Tax Point

BODY

BRITISH ORGAN DONOR SOCIETY
 REGISTERED CHARITY No 294925

BODY, Balsham, Cambridge CB1 6DL.

Tel: 01223 893636

Email: body@argonet.co.uk

Website: <http://www.argonet.co.uk/body>

Dear Mr Howard,

I apologise for not answering your letters - we are a small voluntary Charity run basically by two people.

What you are proposing is both **illegal and impractical**. The Human Tissue Act 2004 emphatically makes it illegal both to sell or offer to sell any organ or tissue.

You wish to receive a 'down' payment now! **Only a very few people are able to be donors at their death - about one in 900**. Most donors are brain stem dead on a ventilator - some kidneys can be removed from heart dead donors but it is a case of being in the right place at the right time. Who would pay for your and other 'hopefuls' organs - certainly not a small charity concentrating on support and information.

Lastly many of the items you offer for sale are not at present transplanted nor do I know of any future plans.

If you would like your organs to help someone sign up on the NHS Organ Donor Register to **donate** organs.

Yours faithfully



Margaret Evans

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30th October

Dear Ms. Evans,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your undated reply to my letters.

I can see that I have offended and upset you. This was unintentional. I was simply trying to offer you something that, for many years, I have looked after physically. I thought that it was a completely logical step to offer you my organs while I'm still around, live and kicking, rather than wait for the day when I don't need them any more. My mistake.

Would you be able to suggest anyone else who would appreciate my offer? Can you give me any details on the NHS Organ Donor Register? I can find no details on this anywhere.

I am also intrigued about your reference to The Human Tissue Act 2004 and would appreciate further clarification on the general matter of selling organs. Does this apply overseas as well?

Sorry to pester you again but I would like to know the answers to my questions, however silly you may think they are.

Thank you in advance,

Yours Organically,


Bob Howard



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Dear Mr Howard,

Thank you for your letter. I am pleased you would like to sign up on the Organ Donor Register and enclose the relevant form which you can send Freepost.

I am so sorry to have been so long answering. We are basically a two man band and were away for a week at a Conference (and a few snatched days holiday) and on my return my monitor packed up leaving me computerless. Incidentally we weren't at all 'offended' at your letter - I was just giving you the facts.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Evans
Administrator