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The updated situation on vedores.

- LBI believes the vedores are no longer present. Huntrods is in BA at the moment. Will report back to ABC over the weekend if anything of substance.
- Ardron has nothing to add on the vedores.
- Commercial companies: NJ spoke to Glaxo, BAT, Wellcome, ICI and Shell (London offices). Of these, only Shell expressed concern, the vedores were placed there just before sanctions were lifted\*. Among the others no clear idea of whether the vedores were still in place. All were quite relaxed, however, saying that in many cases the vedores had been positively helpful!

\*Definitely still in place at Shell

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