Reference No: P18/6/65; Date: 06/07/67

Circular 22/1967 :- Reckoning of certain unestablished service for superannuation purposes

A Dhuine Uasail,

1. I am directed by the Minister for Finance to state that he has accepted an agreed recommendation made by the General Council (Report No. 415) concerning the reckoning of certain unestablished service in full for superannuation purposes.

2. In the case of established officers retiring on or after 1 January, 1968 full-time unestablished service paid out of voted monies, rendered after attaining the age of 16 and continuous or substantially so, served immediately prior to the attainment of established status will be reckoned in full, as established service, for the purposes of the Superannuation Acts.

3. An officer who would qualify for an increased lump sum by his retention in an established capacity until 1 January 1968, should be so retained. No officer may, however, be retained in an established capacity under this authority beyond a maximum period of three calendar months. The position of officers who are due to retire on reaching the normal retiring age at any date after 1 October, 1967 should, accordingly, be considered in order to determine if retention on the foregoing basis up to 1 January, 1968 would be warranted.

4. Pensions, but not lump sums, awarded to officers who have retired or who will retire before 1 January, 1968 will, where appropriate, be revised, as from that date, to take account of the terms of this Circular. Departments which have awarded pensions under delegated authority should revise such pensions in accordance with the terms of this Circular and should advise the Office of the Paymaster General of the revised pensions payable as from 1 January, 1968. A statement of the additional cost arising from this revision should be furnished to this Department as soon as the revisions have been completed.

5. Any queries arising from this Circular should be referred, orally in the first instance, to this Department (Extensions 33 or 122).

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M. Breathnach