Civil Service Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme

General Council Report 1318

(Meeting/s of 25 June 1997)

Ageement in relation to the Laboratory Attendant grade

1. Discussions took place in the context of the local bargaining provisions of the pay agreement associated with the PCW which provides that it is open to parties who had not processed claims under Clause 3 of the PESP to process their claims on the basis set out in Clause 2 (iii)A of the PCW pay agreement.

2. The Official Side said that their approach to the discussions with the Union were on the basis that additions to payroll costs would have to be compatible with the cost parameters of the PCW. The Official Side also had requirements in relation to flexibilities and changes in work practices.

3. Following discussion between the sides, agreement was reached on the proposals set out in the Appendix to this report which sets out the pay scale for the grade and the arrangements for implementation. The Union confirmed its acceptance, in the case of the Laboratory Attendant grade, of the provisions in regard to flexibilities and changes in work practices which are set out in the document at Appendix 2 of General Council Report No. 1309. In addition, it will be necessary to have discussions at departmental level in order to clarify how particular provisions in this agreement will apply in individual areas.

4. Both sides noted that, as provided for in the PCW pay agreement, no cost increasing claims on behalf of the grades concerned for improvements in pay or conditions may be made or processed during the currency of the agreement.

5. At a meeting on 25 June 1997, the Council agreed to recommend for acceptance the overall package contained in the Appendices to the Report.

6. This report accordingly records such agreement.

7. This report was adopted on 25 June 1997.



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