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28/06/1991 LP:- Re: VDU's

Dear Personnel Officer

I refer ro Circular 12/84 concerning the health and safety aspects of VDU operation and in particular to paragraph 3 which provides that an eye test should be given to staff prior to assignment to VDU operation.

Following discussions with the Staff Side it has agreed that, in addition to the test provided for in Circular 12/84, VDU operators should be offered a further test while they continue to operate VDUs. The National Safety and Health Authority have been consulted regarding the frequency with which such tests should be taken. They have not yet completed their examination of this matter and we propose to defer a decision on the frequency of testing until the Authority are in a position to furnish advice.

In the meantime departments should make the necessary arrangements to implement the terms of paragraph 4 of General Council Report 1199 (copy attachted).

Yours sincerely

Brian Whitney Principal