An Rúnaí,

I am directed by the Minister for the Public Service to refer to previous correspondence about the delegation to your Department of authority to make superannuation awards.

It appears that some Departments may be interpreting paragraph 9 (1)(b)(ii)(I) of Circular 46/75 as applying to officers whose actual reckonable service is greater than 20 years. This is not of course, the case; that paragraph applies only to officers with less than 20 years’ service and, having regard to paragraph 9 (1)(b)(ii)(II), is of benefit only to officers having between 10 and 13 1/3rd years service.

Signed