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31/08/1984 LP:- Civil Service Spouses' and Children's Contributory Pension Scheme Extension of Option Period for Serving Staff

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I am directed by the Minister for the Public Service to refer to the revision of the above scheme, as outlined in Circular 16/84 and in particular to paragraph 6 of that circular, concerning option arrangements for serving staff.

I am to say that at the request of the Staff Side, it has been agreed that the closing date for the exercise of options by serving staff should be extended from 31 August to 30 September 1984. Any officers in your Department/Office who have not as yet completed and returned Form S.P.I. should be notified accordingly.

It should be noted that the provisions of Circular 16/84 are not otherwise affected by the extension referred to above. Specifically, the extension does not affect paragraph 5 of the circular, whereby membership of the revised scheme is compulsory for all officers appointed to established positions on or after 1 September 1984, the date of commencement of the scheme. Moreover, in the case of serving staff who opt to join the revised scheme and were not members of the existing scheme, the effective date for the deduction of periodic contributions (1 September 1984) is unchanged.

Mise le meas,

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