
Special Briefing

URGENT INFORMATION FROM THE COMMUNICATION WORKERS UNION

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TO: ALL POSTAL BRANCHES

Dear Colleague

Post Office Ill-Health Procedures – Post Implementation Review

Following the introduction of the new Post Office Ill-Health Procedures, a number of issues have been brought to the Union's attention requiring us to seek a post implementation review meeting with the Post Office. That meeting has been arranged for 19 January 2001.

We are aware that a particular problem exists over the interpretation being placed on the definition of "permanent incapacity" contained in the Memorandum of Understanding associated with the National Agreement and we will be raising that issue with the Post Office

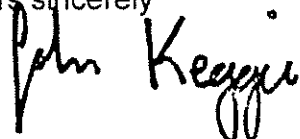
To assist us in the review Branches are asked to provide the following specific information as a matter of urgency. (E-mail comments can be forwarded to pbowerma@cwu.org)

- i) The number of Ill-Health Retirements (with pension) between 1.04.1999 and 31.03.2000
 - under 50 years
 - over 50 years
- ii) The number of dismissals on grounds of absence (i.e. without pension) between 1.04.1999 and 31.03.2000
 - under 50 years
 - over 50 years
- iii) The number of appeals for Ill-Health retirement lodged between 1.04.1999 and 31.03.2000
 - under 50 years
 - over 50 years
- iv) The number of Ill-Health Retirements (with pension) after 1.04.2000
 - under 50 years
 - over 50 years
- v) The number of Ill-Health Retirements (with lump sum) after 1.04.2000
 - under 50 years
 - over 50 years

- vi) The number of appeals for Ill-Health Retirement (with pension) after 1.04.2000
– under 50 years
– over 50 years

In addition to the above information, any other comments, which Branches feel may be of assistance, would be welcome

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Keggie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'J' and 'K'.

JOHN KEGGIE
DEPUTY GENERAL SECRETARY (P)