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Dear Adrian and Ann,

DEFAULT RETIREMENT AGE – LAUNCH OF CONSULTATION, 29 JULY

We are writing to advise you that we will be publishing a joint consultation document on proposals for phasing out the Default Retirement Age (DRA) on 29 July.

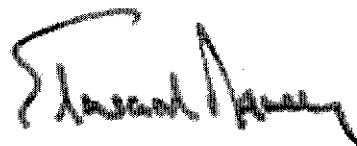
The document will be available on the BIS website at www.bis.gov.uk/retirement-age. Copies will be laid in the Library of the House shortly.

As you will know, the Coalition's Programme for Government contained a commitment to phase out the DRA, set out in the consultation. We are seeking views on the proposals by 21 October.

We are copying this letter to members of the respective Committees and to the Opposition Spokespersons on BIS, the Rt Hon Pat McFadden MP; and on DWP, the Rt Hon Yvette Cooper MP.



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