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Dear Colleagues,

Fair and Sustainable

The NEC is acutely aware of the anxiety that exists around the closed competitions that are being run this month.

We have been liaising with the OR team on a regular basis and have been assured that we will be given a list of those colleagues who have not secured a post from the closed competitions as soon as it has been collated. We expect to have this information in early June.

These colleagues are not surplus, they are in a clearing pool and will be able to apply for advertised posts.

Colleagues will only be deemed surplus when all posts have been filled via clearing and there are no further vacancies for them. The OR team will provide us with this information once clearing has finished.

The nature of this process does not lend itself to exact and sharp cut off points. There will be some flex between the end of clearing and identifying surplus.

Although this is an extremely difficult time for many of our members we really need to let the process work through. Once we have good information on the numbers in clearing we can focus our attention on those colleagues who may require specific advice or support.

Pensions

We believe that there are some further points of clarification to be made with the pensions offer and so we have delayed sending out our bulletin until we can be confident that it is wholly accurate and reflects the final offer which members will be balloted on.

We are sorry that we can not keep to our original timescale but believe it is far better to get everything right before issuing the bulletin.

Diamond Jubilee Medal – Estate Group / PE Advisors

Members will be aware that last year we reached agreement with the Service that under the terms of the Royal Warrant, Estates Group / PE Advisors from an operational background who can still be called upon for operational duties, particularly in emergencies, were eligible to receive the Golden Jubilee and Prison Service medals (providing they had the qualifying service).

The same group will also be eligible for the Diamond Jubilee medal and should ensure that they are added to establishment lists.

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