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Dear colleagues

Via Email:

TU Joint Secretaries

Thank you for your presentation to the HR Directors' Forum meeting on 11 June, and for the follow-up discussion.

The Department would welcome a structured, ongoing engagement with trade union colleagues and HSC employers, in preparation for potential future discussions on Agenda for Change issues, including pay and reform.

In the absence of Ministers and an Executive Pay Policy for 2018/19, we are unable to enter into formal negotiations. However, an engagement process would allow for employers and trade union colleagues to gain a detailed understanding of the positions on all the issues; provide for exchange of information; and keep an ongoing line of communication open as we move forward.

As such, I would be grateful if you could forward a list of suggested issues you wish to table for consideration, and nominate colleagues to participate.

I am copying to HRD Forum colleagues.

Yours sincerely

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