

30. Where an Officer, RN rating or RM other rank dies in service from causes accepted by the Department of Health and Social Security as being attributable to service, an additional gratuity may be paid to his widow at the following rates:

<i>Husband's Rank (for invaliding purposes)</i>	<i>Gratuity</i>
	£
Able Rating/Marine and below ... ..	520
Leading Rating/Corporal RM ... ..	629
Petty Officer/Sergeant RM ... ..	700
Chief Petty Officer/Colour Sergeant RM ... ..	774
Quartermaster Sergeant RM ... ..	800
Fleet Chief Petty Officer/Regimental Sergeant Major RM ... ..	871
Lieutenant RN and RM and below ... ..	945
Lieutenant-Commander RN/Captain RM ... ..	1,136
Chaplain with under 20 years' service } ... ..	1,417
Commander RN/ Major RM ... ..	1,578
Chaplain with 20 or more years' service ... ..	1,631
Principal Chaplain ... ..	1,685
Captain RN with under 6 year's service/Lieutenant Colonel RM ... ..	1,830
Captain RN with 6 or more years' service/Colonel RM ... ..	1,939
Chaplain of the Fleet ... ..	2,266
Rear Admiral/Major-General RM ... ..	2,751
Vice-Admiral/Lieutenant-General RM ... ..	3,600
Admiral/General RM ... ..	4,087
Admiral of the Fleet ... ..	4,087

31. Where, had the Officer or seaman or marine been invalided, an adjustment would have been made to his award in respect of a gratuity or other non-effective payment previously received by him, an abatement may be made on that account in assessing the gratuity payable under Clauses 28 or 29.

32. Where the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank did not leave a widow eligible for an award under this section but a child or children (as defined in Clause 25, and fulfilling the conditions of that Clause), the Secretary of State for Defence may award a gratuity to the child or children. The total award shall equal that which would have been payable to a widow eligible for an award under this section and shall be apportioned among them at the discretion of the Secretary of State for Defence.

33. Where the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank leaves a widow and in addition a child or children (as defined in Clause 25 and fulfilling the conditions of that Clause) who are not living with or supported by her, the Secretary of State for Defence may divert part of the gratuity which would normally be payable to the widow for the benefit of all or any such children.

34. Where a woman member dies in circumstances in which the child of a male member would have been granted a gratuity under Clause 32 above and leaves a child or children (as defined in Clause 25 and fulfilling the conditions of that Clause), the Secretary of State for Defence may award a gratuity for the benefit of the child or children of such amount as he may determine.

35. Gratuities in respect of children may be issued to the widow or mother of the child, or other person responsible for the child's maintenance, or to the child direct as may be decided. They may where appropriate be issued in instalments or withheld for later payment.

36. Where death occurs in service and neither an eligible widow nor motherless child or children are left, a sum equal to the gratuity otherwise payable under Clause 28 to the widow may be payable to the estate of the deceased. This applies also to women officers and ratings.

37. Gratuities payable under Clause 36 may be abated in respect of any public or Service debt.

38. When the Officer or RN rating or RM other rank has elected to purchase an entitlement for his widow to a one-half rate pension instead of a one-third rate pension in respect of service before 1st April 1973, any outstanding balance required to settle the total amount due for such entitlement shall be deducted from the gratuity payable under Clause 28.

39. Other than any abatement which may be due under Clauses 31, 37 or 38, gratuities under this Section shall not be subject to abatement in respect of any public or service debt due from the deceased Officer, or RN rating or RM other rank.

## ROYAL ASSENT

This day in accordance with the provisions of section 1 (1) (b) of the Royal Assent Act 1937, there was notified in each House of Parliament sitting separately Her Majesty's Assent to:

- Finance Act 1975 (c. 7).
- Offshore Petroleum Development (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 8).
- Supply Powers Act 1975 (c. 9).
- Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1975 (c. 10).
- Social Security Benefits Act 1975 (c. 11).
- British Railways Act 1975.

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## TREASURY

Treasury Chambers, London S.W.1.  
14th March 1975.

### TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the

Chief Cashier's Office at the Bank of England on Friday, the 21st March 1975, at 1 p.m., for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, and the National Loans Act, 1968, to the amount of £120,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000, £100,000 or £250,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 24th March 1975, to Thursday, the 27th March 1975 inclusive, and will be due 91 days after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated and the net amount per cent. (being a multiple of one new halfpenny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. Notification will be sent on the same day as Tenders are received to the persons whose Tenders are accepted in whole or in part. Payment in full of the amounts due in respect of such accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of cash or by draft or cheque drawn on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.