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Dear Member

AGM Minutes and Update

Please find enclosed printed copy of our Annual General Meeting held in the Union Jack Club, Waterloo, on Thursday 13th May 2010.

Please note that in future copies of the AGM Minutes will be published only on our Web-site as usual which is now accessible in the majority of Libraries both in the UK and abroad. The Minutes will also be sent by Email to Members on line so please keep us up to date with your Email address if you are, or have changed it in the meantime. Also your home address if different from our present records.

Please also note that if you are renewing your Standing Order or making a repeat payment by cheque there is no need to repeat your Membership details again and send them to Frank Rixon. Once your service details are on our Records there is no necessity to repeat them but always quote your Membership number with any correspondence and/or cheques. This will save our Membership Secretary, Frank Rixon considerable time and inconvenience.

Due to his changing family commitments our Treasurer, Michael Kennedy, has been obliged to stand down. His resignation was accepted with regret at the recent AGM. Until such time as a new Treasurer is appointed I have once again accepted the Treasurer's responsibilities for the immediate future. Please send any outstanding cheques to me personally made out to CAFF UK.

From an MPs point of view with the appointment of a new Coalition Government recently and a widespread programme of Budget cuts due on June 22nd this is likely to be a total distraction from the normal day to day issues for them.

I have therefore requested our Members to postpone writing to their MPs until the middle of July when hopefully the political climate will have settled down somewhat. By then I should be able to provide more information regarding progress of our Case with the Pensions Ombudsman's Service also. The Government does have a statutory duty to pay our Pensions and Gratuities under the Social Security Act 1973 Schedule 16. Civil Service and Parliamentary Pension payments will not be put on hold due to the Credit Crunch so there will be no excuses for not paying ours.

Even so, thank you for your financial support to date and please renew your subscriptions if you need to do so. We are not home and dry yet and every penny is vitally important to continue our cause.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Robson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

David Robson

Secretary General
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