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To: Chief Fire Officers/Firemasters

Chief Executives/Clerks to Fire Authorities

(copy enclosed for Treasurer)

Members of the National Joint Council

4 November 1997

CIRCULAR LRC/1/97

Dear Sir/Madam,

1997 PAY SETTLEMENT

The following revised rates of pay and fees for members covered by the Lower Ranks' Committee are effective from 7th November 1997:

Appendix 1 - whole-time operational personnel

Appendix 2 - whole-time control room personnel

Appendix 3 - retained personnel

Appendix 4 - junior firefighters

Appendix 5 - mess managers' allowance

Yours faithfully, CHARLES NOLDA KEN CAMERON Joint Secretaries

WHOLE-TIME OPERATIONAL PERSONNEL

1.	Revised rates of pay effective from 7th November 1997
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	Weekly	Annual
	£	£
Firefighter (aged 18 years)		
Less than 6 months' service	281.78	14700
More than 6 months' service	294.78	15378
Firefighter (aged 19 years or more)		
First 6 months' service	286.15	14928
After 6 months' service and during 2nd year	299.03	15600
During 3rd year	313.35	16347
During 4th year	328.88	
During 5th year (subject to being fully qualified)	358.04	17157 18678
Firefighter after 15 years' service		
Qualified	374.08	10616
Unqualified	344.18	19515 17955
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Leading Firefighter	383.46	20004
After 15 years' service	399.21	20826
Sub-Officer		
1st year	393.17	20511
1st year after 15 years' service	408.99	21336
2nd year	408.36	
2nd year after 15 years' service	424.11	21303 22125

2. <u>Casual overtime scales</u>

	Basic hourly rate*	Casual overtime rate
Firefightons (aged 10	£	£
Firefighters (aged 18 years)		
Less than 6 months' service	6.71	10.07
More than 6 months' service	7.02	10.53
Firefighter (aged 19 years or more)		
First 6 months' service	6.81	10.22
After 6 months' service and during 2nd year	7.12	10.68
During 3rd year	7.46	
During 4th year	7.83	11.19
During 5th year (qualified)		11.75
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Firefighter after 15 years' service		
Qualified	8.91	13.37
Unqualified	8.19	
	0.17	12.29
Leading Firefighter	9.13	12.70
After 15 years' service	9.51	13.70
J J	9.51	14.27
Sub-Officer		
1st year	9.36	14.04
1st year after 15 years' service	9.74	14.04
2nd year	9.72	
2nd year after 15 years' service	10.10	14.58
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^{*} The basic hourly rates are determined by dividing the weekly rates by 42

WHOLE-TIME CONTROL ROOM PERSONNEL

1. Revised rates of pay effective from 7th November 1997

		Weekly			Annually	J
	42	40	Non-	42	40	Non-
	hour	hour	operational	hour	hour	operational
	week	week	staff*	week	week	staff*
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fire Control Operator						
Before 17 years	235.55	219.04	N/A	12288	11427	N/A
In 18th year	243.71	226.58	N/A	12714	11820	
Aged 18 less than six			1771	12/14	11020	N/A
months' service	259.24	241.30	N/A	13524	12588	27/4
Aged 18 more than six		211.50	14/21	13324	12388	N/A
months' service	271.26	252.28	N/A	14151	13161	N/A
Fire Control Operator						
(aged 19 years or more)						
First six months	263.15	245.03	229.11	12720	10500	months.
After six months	203.13	273.03	229.11	13728	12783	11952
and in 2nd year	275.00	256.02	239.28	14246	12256	
In 3rd year	288.05	268.21	250.61	14346	13356	12483
In 4th year	302.26	281.38	262.92	15027	13992	13074
In 5th year (subject to	302.20	201.50	202.92	15768	14679	13716
appraisal - see para 2						
of LRC/7/83)	329.74	306.57	286.38	17202		
After 15 years' service	343.95	319.79	299.03	17202	15993	14940
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Leading Fire Control				3:		
<u>Operator</u>	352.92	327.96	306.63	18411	17109	15996
After 15 years' service	367.07	341.36	319.28	19149	17808	16656
Senior Fire Control						
Operator						
In 1st year	361.72	336.53	314.56	18870	17556	16410
In 1st year after		220.05	514.50	18870	17330	16410
15 years' service	375.92	349.76	327.16	19611	18246	17067
In 2nd year	375.63	349.53	326.47	19596	18234	17067
In 2nd year after		5 17.55	J20.7/	17370	10234	17031
15 years' service	389.90	362.81	339.00	20340	18927	17685

^{*} These scales apply to non-operational staff in post on 1st April 1980 who were previously paid on control room scales (see NJC/5/80)

2. <u>Casual overtime scales</u>

	Basic hourly rate		Casual overtime rate	
	Fire	Non-	Fire	Non-
	Control	Operational	Control	Operational
	Staff	Staff	Staff	Staff
	£	£	£	£
Fire Control Operator				
Before 17 years	5.48	N/A	8.22	N/A
In 18th year	5.66	N/A	8.49	N/A
Aged 18 less than six			0.15	14/11
months' service	6.03	N/A	9.05	N/A
Aged 18 more than six			3.00	14/21
months' service	6.31	N/A	9.47	N/A
Fire Control Operator				
(aged 19 years or more)				
First six months	6.13	5.73	9.20	8.60
After six months and in		0.70	7.20	0.00
2nd year	6.40	5.98	9.60	8.97
In 3rd year	6.71	6.27	10.27	9.41
In 4th year	7.03	6.57	10.55	9.86
In 5th year (subject to		0.0 /	10.55	9.00
appraisal)	7.66	7.16	11.49	10.74
After 15 years' service	7.99	7.48	11.99	11.22
Leading Fire Control				
Operator	8.20	7.67	12.30	11.51
After 15 years' service	8.53	7.98	12.80	11.97
Senior Fire Control				
Operator				
In 1st year	0.41	7.06	40.40	
In 1st year after	8.41	7.86	12.62	11.79
15 years' service	0.74	0.10		
	8.74	8.18	13.11	12.27
In 2nd year 2nd year after	8.74	8.16	13.11	12.24
15 years' service	0.07	0.40	SHARE	
13 years service	9.07	8.48	13.61	12.72

RETAINED PERSONNEL

1. Revised fees effective from 7th November 1997

(i) Annual Retaining Fee

	During first 3 years' service £	After 3 years' service £
Sub-Officer in charge of station	1974	2148
Sub-Officer	1836	1974
Leading Firefighter	1782	1836
Firefighter	1632	1782

Annual fees to be reduced by up to 25% for those providing cover for only a limited period

(ii) Turn-out, attendance and other fees

	Turn-out fee £	Pre-arranged attendance fee*	Attendance fee	Drill night fee £
Sub-Officer	16.02	6.89	8.06	13.53
Leading Firefighter	14.11	6.25	7.36	12.18
Firefighter	12.08	5.39	6.56	10.61

^{*} Also extra payment for remaining on duty and payment for extra work

2. Long service bounty scheme

Years of Service	Sub-Officer i/c station	Sub- Officer	Leading Firefighter	Fire- fighter
	£	£	£	£
10	1044	939	861	822
15	1203	1095	999	975
20	1362	1251	1140	1110
25	1593	1452	1335	1284
30	1767	1614	1479	1422
35	1938	1761	1623	1569

3. Volunteer Firefighter - payment for authorised duty

The payment for authorised duty shall be at the rate of £5.39 each hour of such duty, i.e. the rate for retained firefighters who remain on duty.

4. Retaining and other fees for certain whole-time members (Paragraph 11 of Section VI of Scheme)

Annual retaining fee

	£
Sub-Officer in charge of station	1071
Sub-Officer	996
Leading Firefighter	924
Firefighter	897

Turn-out fees, attendance fees (including those for drill nights) and extra payments for remaining on duty shall be as set out in paragraph 1 above.

JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS

Revised rates of pay effective from 7th November 1997

£

 Age 16
 6489

 Age 17
 6978

 Age 18
 the same as for recruit

firefighters of the same age

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MESS MANAGERS' ALLOWANCE

Revised allowances effective from 7th November 1997

Meals served per day	Mess manager (without a deputy) £	Mess manager (with a deputy) £	Deputy mess manager £
Up to 50	4.88	3.25	1.81
51 to 69	5.81	3.93	2.08
70 to 89	6,72	4.66	2.31
90 to 109	7.63	5.08	2.74
110 to 129	8.80	5.81	3.00
130 and over	9.74	6.47	3.48

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