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Thank you for your letter of 7 November to the Rt Hon George Osborne MP, Chancellor of the Exchequer, setting out the Fire Officers' Association's concerns on proposed reforms to firefighter pensions. I am replying as the Minister responsible for the Fire Service.

I am grateful for the comments which you have provided which provide further evidence for our discussions across Government ahead of setting a cost ceiling for the firefighters' schemes.

As discussed when we met at the Asian Fire Service Association's annual conference recently, it would be useful to meet again soon to discuss pension issues, and specifically the Fire Officers' Association's concerns in more detail. My office will be in touch with you shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time.

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