

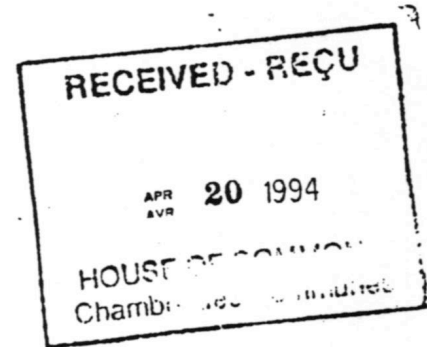
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Dear Ms. Catterall,

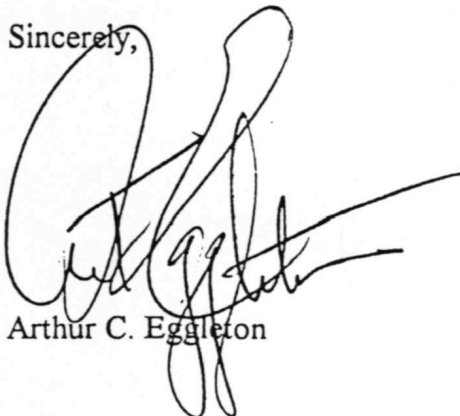
Further to your memo of March 14th, 1994 I have been in touch with my officials to inquire about the points you raised concerning the regulations to be drafted to implement the provisions of Bill C-55 affecting pensions for divorced and separated spouses.

Four women out of a total of twelve members sit on the Pension Advisory Committee; two from the management side and two from the union side. While there has been no direct consultation with the Organization of Spouses of Military Members (OSOMM), my officials assure me that they are aware of OSOMM's recommendations pertaining to Bill C-55 and that reference has been made to OSOMM's submissions to Parliamentary Committees during the Pension Advisory Committee's discussions of credit splitting under the Pensions Benefits Division Act (PBDA).

My office has been in contact with Betty Alce, Executive Assistant of OSOMM to keep her informed of developments regarding the drafting of the PBDA regulations and to advise her that OSOMM will receive a copy of the draft regulations to allow sufficient time for their members to comment within the thirty day period provided to do so. The same courtesy will be extended to other organizations who made submissions to Parliamentary Committees.

As for participation of OSOMM on the Canadian Forces Pension Advisory Committee, the *Canadian Forces Superannuation Act* provides for the Minister of National Defence to make the appointments to that Committee. I advocate OSOMM's recommendation that a member of OSOMM be appointed to that Committee and it is my intention to write a letter to the Minister of National Defence, the Honourable David Collenette indicating my support in this regard. X

Sincerely,



Arthur C. Eggleton