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State

Honours and Awards

Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood

St James's Palace, London SW1 20 May 2005

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Order of Merit:

(To be dated 28 April 2005)

Sir David Frederick Attenborough, CH, CVO, CBE, FRS Professor Sir Michael Eliot Howard, CH, CBE, MC Betty, The Right Honourable Baroness Boothroyd

(1003)

Public Finance



National Savings

National Savings and Investments INDEX-LINKED NATIONAL SAVINGS

MOVEMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM GENERAL INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES

For the purposes of revaluing on repayment Index-linked National Savings Certificates (Retirement Issue, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th Index-linked Issues) and contributions under Save as You Earn savings contracts (Third Issue), the Index figure issued by the Office for National Statistics in the month of May 2005 and applicable to the month of June 2005 is 191.6. This figure is based on the revised reference base of 100 adopted in January 1987. In accordance with the relevant prospectuses a notional Index figure of 755.9 has been calculated and will apply to Index-linked Savings Certificates purchased in March 1987 or earlier and SAYE contributions which were due for payment and made in February 1987 or earlier. (1004)