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**Re: Conversion of Long-Term Temporary Medical Laboratory Technician posts
to Permanent Status**

I am directed by the Minister for Health and Children to refer to this Department's Circular 48/97 of 23 September 1997 and, in particular, to Paragraph 5 of that Circular's Appendix III, which referred to the conversion of Long-Term Temporary Medical Laboratory Technician posts to permanent status.

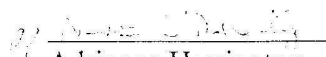
The number of temporary posts to be filled on a permanent basis (*w.e.f. 1 April 1997*) in your employ as a result of this agreement is set out in the attached schedule and has been agreed with the Medical Laboratory Scientists' Association.

Agencies should now proceed with the conversion process in accordance with the agreed criteria i.e. a confined competition should be held in each of the relevant locations to fill the specified posts - only those who have had one year's continuous whole-time service in your employ at 1 April 1997 or who have worked a minimum of 4,000 hours in the six years prior to 1 April 1997 and continue to be available for work on a full-time or part-time basis are eligible to compete for the converted posts. You are reminded that the onus is on you to advise all of those who are eligible, including those who are on career break or other leave of absence or who are job-sharing, of the competition.

Any costs arising from this sanction must be met from within your existing allocation.

I trust this clarifies the matter for you.

Yours sincerely


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South Eastern Health Board

Waterford Regional Hospital

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

St Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

North Western Health Board

Letterkenny General Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Sligo General Hospital

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

Southern Health Board

Cork University Hospital

6 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

Mallow General Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Tralee General Hospital

3 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

St Finbarr's Hospital

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

North Eastern Health Board

Our Lady's Hospital, Navan

Nil.

Louth County Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Mid-Western Health Board

Limerick General Hospital

4 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

Ennis General Hospital

Nil

Nenagh General Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Mercy Hospital, Cork

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

Rotunda Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

St Michael's Hospital, Dún Laoghaire

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Portiuncula Hospital

1 x Medical Laboratory Technician post

Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

Western Health Board

University College Hospital Galway

2 x Medical Laboratory Technician posts

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Eastern Health Board
Dr Steevens' Hospital
Dublin 8

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This Department has recently learnt that the individual post-holders specified in your Board's letter of 9 July 1998 have all since been made permanent. As such, there is no further need to pursue the issue of Conversion of Long-Term Temporary Medical Laboratory Technician posts to Permanent Status with your Board.

Thank you for your co-operation on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Eccles Street
Dublin 7

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I regret to inform you that having examined the details provided in your Hospital's letter of 24 June 1998 in relation to the agreed criteria of this Agreement, it has been decided that sanction cannot be given for the conversion of any long-term temporary posts in your Hospital. The Medical Laboratory Scientists' Association has been informed of this decision.

I trust this clarifies the matter for you.

Yours sincerely


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