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Protocol Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office presents its compliments to diplomatic missions and international organisations and has the honour to refer to The Pensions Regulator's automatic enrolment for workplace pensions.

The Directorate wishes to inform diplomatic missions and international organisations that, under the Pensions Act 2008, every employer in the UK must enrol their staff into a pension scheme and contribute towards it. This is referred to as 'automatic enrolment'. The Pensions Regulator has written to all employers to advise them of the date on which their automatic enrolment duties come into effect, referred to as the 'staging date'.

Diplomatic missions and international organisations are also eligible for automatic enrolment and, if not already done so, will shortly receive notification of their staging date, along with detailed guidance. Diplomatic missions and international organisations are encouraged to comply with their automatic enrolment obligation and to enrol any qualifying staff on to a workplace pension.

Diplomatic missions and international organisations which have not yet received correspondence from The Pensions Regulator, but would like more information on automatic enrolment can find it here: <http://www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk/en/employers>

Protocol Directorate of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to diplomatic missions and international organisations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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