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MEDIA RELEASE

WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY FOR BRITISH EXPATS ABOUT TO CLOSE

The rules for anyone who has worked in the UK and who wishes to maximise their entitlement to UK State pension will change on 5th April 2023.

Usually, people who have worked in the UK can make voluntary contributions to the National Insurance Scheme backdated for the past six years. As a special concession introduced in 2016, the UK government allowed people with gaps in their National Insurance record to make voluntary contributions for a further ten years, making sixteen years in total.

That concession ends on 5th April 2023.

Patrick Edwards, President of British Pensions in Australia Inc., a not-for-profit organisation that cares for British pensioners living in Australia urged those affected to act before the deadline. He said “This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to fill gaps in your contributions record. I urge you to act quickly before this concession ends”.

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About British Pensioners in Australia

British Pensions in Australia Inc. (BPiA) is an incorporated not-for-profit volunteer association and a founder member of the International Consortium of British Pensioners. BPiA cares for both current and prospective recipients of British pensions living in Australia. BPiA campaigns for many thousands of British pensioners, recognising their right to a fair pension in return for the contributions they have made to the UK, both in terms of financial contributions to the National Insurance Scheme and their contribution to the economy of the UK.