

**To: Heads of higher education
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JOINT CONSULTATION ON THE REVIEW OF RESEARCH ASSESSMENT

As you will be aware, the four UK higher education funding bodies commissioned Sir Gareth Roberts to review arrangements for research assessment in the future. I enclose copies of a document which contains the final report of Sir Gareth's review and seeks views on its recommendations.

Responses should be provided by completing the form at Annex A of the document, which can be downloaded from the review's website (<http://www.ra-review.ac.uk>). Completed responses should be submitted by email to responses@ra-review.ac.uk by **Tuesday, 30 September 2003**. It would be appreciated if you could also copy your response to Linda Tiller at HEFCW (Linda.Tiller@hefcw.ac.uk).

Please note that an enclosure is only being sent to HEIs. A copy of the document is now available on the review website (www.ra-review.ac.uk).

Yours sincerely

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