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Question:

The last advice given to agencies on the appointment of women to boards was in 2012. Is the Office considering issuing any renewed advice to agencies? If so, when can this be expected to happen?

Answer:

The Office regularly provides advice to agencies on the appointment of women to boards.

The Cabinet Handbook (8th edition, issued in 2015) advises that appointment proposals must pay due regard to gender balance.