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The Chairman,
Indian Banks' Association,
Mumbai.

Respected Sir,

NEW SCHEME OF REIMBURSEMENT OF HOSPITALISATION EXPENSES

This has reference to the discussions held with you on 03/02/2016 on residual and other issues raised by us before the Dy. CLC(C) on 08/12/2015. During the discussions on the New Scheme of Reimbursement of Hospitalisation Expenses – with specific reference to the reimbursement of the expenses on domiciliary treatment to retired officers - you had categorically stated that IBA was committed to the initial agreement and discussions and United India Insurance Co. Ltd. (UIICL) should honour such claims from retired officers. We were also informed that the last date for enrolling into the Hospitalisation Scheme for the retirees stood extended up to 31/03/2016.

To our utter surprise and dismay, we understand, UIICL has unilaterally written to bank managements on its unwillingness to entertain the claims on domiciliary treatments. Further, the retired officers have been given time up to 20/02/2016 to withdraw from the Scheme without any deduction/cut in the premium remitted (whereafter charges will be levied for withdrawal).

This act of UIICL does not augur well with the Bipartite and Tripartite understandings and is simply high-handedness. Furthermore, it is highly objectionable for UIICL to write directly to the bank managements without discussions with IBA. This letter has created a lot of commotion and restlessness among the retirees creating avoidable confusion and foul cry. This also leads to the apprehensions we expressed during discussions on the scheme during Xth Bipartite Settlement.

In this background you are requested to immediately direct UIICL:

- a. To retrace their steps and honour the initial agreement.
- b. To restrain from future such acts without discussions with IBA.
- c. To dispose all the pending reimbursements on domiciliary treatment of retirees within a definite time frame – not later than 29/02/2016.

A line in acknowledgement is appreciated.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(HARVINDER SINGH)
GENERAL SECRETARY