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Dear Deposited Papers Clerk,

Updated Universal Credit Guidance

Please place a copy of the refreshed 2025 Universal Credit guidance in the House libraries.

The file list is in the attached Annex.

This guidance updates the previous set of Universal Credit guidance papers deposited in October 2024, deposit_number DEP2024-0673

Kind regards,

Sir Stephen Timms
Minister of State for Social Security and Disability

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