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Briefings



28 March 2025

Coverage of CIOT and ATT in the print, broadcast and online media.

‘Tax experts believe HMRC should do a number of things to make its customer service fit for purpose. Victoria Todd, head of the Low Incomes Tax Reform Group, says HMRC should do more to ensure taxpayers who do not have to complete a self-assessment tax return are made aware of this.’

This is Money / Daily Mail, 29 January

‘If you receive a simple assessment letter from HMRC, you should check the figures carefully. The second page of the letter contains a full tax calculation, which sets out the different sources of taxable income which HMRC believes you had in the tax year.’

LITRG in the Birmingham Mail and other regional titles, 10 February

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‘The government is expected to reverse a technical element of its non-dom tax regime changes… The CIOT said: “There should not be such different and complicated rules introduced at this late stage to determine what is a taxable remittance.”’

Financial Times, 11 February

‘We’re pleased that HMRC have agreed to change their interpretation of condition C, as their previous interpretation could have equated perfectly innocuous and commercial investments with abusive actions.’

Christopher Thorpe, CIOT technical officer, in the Financial Times on reversed tax changes to private equity, 18 February

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‘Joanne Walker of the CIOT said there is a misunderstanding about the contribution [council] tax makes to local authorities, saying it only accounts for 19% of councils’ income.’

Press Association article syndicated to STV News, Daily Mail and 216 other media outlets, 18 February

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‘Many holiday lets are currently subject to business rates rather than council tax. However, eligibility for business rates has its own tests, so isn’t determined by whether a property qualifies as a furnished holiday let for other tax purposes.’

ATT in the Daily Telegraph on the abolition of the beneficial tax treatment of furnished holiday lettings, 4 March