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John McDonnell MP, Labour's Shadow Chancellor, responding to Theresa May failing to commit the Tories to maintaining the pensions triple lock if she wins the general election, said: "Onlv four days into the Tory campaign and Theresa May has refused to commit to maintaining the pensions triple lock, just as Philip Hammond refused to commit to it on Tuesday. "Theresa May's refusal to commit the Tories to maintaining the pensions triple lock only further proves the Tories are abandoning older people. It's now clear pensions protections are now in jeopardy. "Labour will stand up for older people by maintaining the pensions triple lock and by keeping the winter fuel allowance and free bus passes so that the elderly can

go about their lives with the dignity they deserve."