

Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the weightings applicable from 1 January 2002 to the remuneration of officials of the European Communities serving in third countries

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to the Staff Regulations of officials of the European Communities and the conditions of employment of other servants of the Communities laid down by Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68 ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC, ECSC, Euratom) No 2581/2001 ⁽²⁾, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X thereto,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Account should be taken of changes in the cost of living in countries outside the Community and the weightings applicable to remuneration paid in the currency of the country of employment to officials serving in third countries should be determined accordingly with effect from 1 January 2002.
- (2) Under Annex X to the Staff Regulations, the Council sets the weightings every six months and it will accordingly have to set new weightings for coming half-years.
- (3) The weightings to apply with effect from 1 January 2002, in respect of which payment has been made on the basis of a previous Regulation, could lead to retrospective adjustments to remuneration (upwards or downwards).
- (4) Provision should be made for back-payments in the event of an increase in remuneration as a result of these weightings.
- (5) Provision should be made for the recovery of sums overpaid in the event of a reduction in remuneration as a result of these weightings for the period between 1 January 2002 and the date of the Council decision setting the weightings to apply with effect from 1 January 2002.
- (6) However, in order to mirror the weightings applicable within the European Community to remuneration and pensions of officials and other servants of the European Communities, such recovery should be restricted to a

period of no more than six months preceding the decision, and for its effects to be spread over a period of no more than twelve months following the date of that decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

With effect from 1 January 2002, the weightings applicable to remuneration payable in the currency of the country of employment shall be as shown in the annex.

The exchange rates for the calculation of such remuneration shall be those used for implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the month preceding the date referred to in the first paragraph.

Article 2

In accordance with the first paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X to the Staff Regulations, the Council shall set weightings every six months. It shall accordingly set new weightings with effect from 1 July 2002.

The institutions shall make back-payments in the event of an increase in remuneration as a result of these weightings.

For the period between 1 January 2002 and the date of the Council decision setting the weightings applicable with effect from 1 January 2002, the institutions shall make retrospective downward adjustments to remuneration in the event of a reduction as a result of these weightings.

Retrospective adjustments involving the recovery of sums overpaid shall, however, be restricted to a period of no more than six months preceding the decision, and recovery shall be spread over no more than twelve months from the date of that decision.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 56, 4.3.1968, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 345, 29.12.2001, p. 1.

ANNEX

	Place of employment	Weightings January 2002
	Albania	97,3
(***)	Algeria	0,0
	Angola	115,9
	Argentina	129,4
	Australia	93,9
	Bangladesh	77,9
	Barbados	142,5
	Belize	103,2
	Benin	88,4
	Bolivia	74,3
	Bosnia and Herzegovina	87,5
	Botswana	55,4
	Brazil	82,4
	Bulgaria	72,1
	Burkina Faso	78,5
(***)	Burundi	0,0
(***)	Cambodia	0,0
	Cameroon	96,1
	Canada	84,5
	Cape Verde	75,6
	Central African Republic	109,8
	Chad	112,5
	Chile	86,2
	China	107,3
	Colombia	82,9
	Congo	103,7
	Costa Rica	104,7
	Côte d'Ivoire	106,1
	Croatia	97,3
	Cyprus	95,1
	Czech Republic	92,0
	Democratic Republic of the Congo	144,9
	Djibouti	141,8
	Dominican Republic	92,4
	Egypt	73,4

	Place of employment	Weightings January 2002
	Equatorial Guinea	95,8
	Eritrea	46,3
	Estonia	74,3
	Ethiopia	80,2
	Fiji	71,1
	FYROM	77,5
	Gabon	116,1
	Georgia	111,2
	Ghana	89,5
	Guatemala	93,8
	Guinea	87,1
	Guinea-Bissau	132,2
	Guyana	70,7
	Haiti	98,4
	Hong Kong	121,9
	Hungary	69,0
	India	61,2
	Indonesia	88,5
	Israel	121,6
	Jamaica	126,4
	Japan (Naka)	152,5
	Japan (Tokyo)	161,3
	Jordan	99,2
	Kazakhstan	117,9
	Kenya	98,5
	Latvia	80,7
	Lebanon	110,9
	Lesotho	44,1
(***)	Liberia	0,0
	Lithuania	76,6
	Madagascar	96,1
	Malawi	105,0
	Mali	86,6
	Malta	103,0
	Mauritania	72,8
	Mauritius	84,5

	Place of employment	Weightings January 2002
	Mexico	102,4
	Morocco	89,6
	Mozambique	81,7
	Namibia	48,4
	Netherlands Antilles	121,0
	New Caledonia	122,2
	Nicaragua	99,4
	Niger	87,7
	Nigeria	102,7
	Norway	134,2
	Pakistan	59,3
	Papua New Guinea	68,3
(***)	Paraguay	0,0
	Peru	112,4
	Philippines	68,7
	Poland	88,7
	Romania	55,1
	Russia	133,6
(***)	Rwanda	0,0
	São Tomé and Príncipe	74,4
	Senegal	81,5
(***)	Sierra Leone	0,0
	Slovakia	68,8
	Slovenia	76,4
	Solomon Islands	97,2
(***)	Somalia	0,0
	South Africa	41,9
	South Korea	108,3
	Sri Lanka	77,8
	Sudan	48,0
	Suriname	81,5
	Swaziland	42,3
	Switzerland	124,8
	Syria	108,4
	Tanzania	80,9
	Thailand	70,9

	Place of employment	Weightings January 2002
	The Comoros	103,3
	The Gambia	60,5
	Togo	96,3
	Tonga	72,7
	Trinidad and Tobago	90,7
	Tunisia	83,6
	Turkey	81,3
	Uganda	99,2
	Ukraine	123,9
	United States (New York)	136,7
	United States (Washington DC)	132,5
	Uruguay	109,3
	Vanuatu	121,9
	Venezuela	115,6
	Vietnam	68,9
	West Bank — Gaza Strip	112,9
	Yugoslavia	63,6
	Zambia	66,0
	Zimbabwe	88,5

(***) Not available.