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COUNCIL REGULATION (ECSC, EC, EURATOM) No 1785/97

of 11 September 1997

laying down the weightings applicable from 1 January 1997 to the remuneration of officials of the European Communities serving in third countries

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing a Single Council and a Single Commission of the European Communities,

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 (Euratom, ECSC, EEC) No 259/68 [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC, Euratom, ECSC) No 2485/96 [2], and in particular the first paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas account should be taken of changes in the cost of living in countries outside the Community and weightings applicable to the remuneration payable in the currency of the country of employment to officials serving in third countries should be determined with effect from 1 January 1997;

Whereas, under Annex X of the Staff Regulations, the Council sets the weightings every six months; whereas it will accordingly have to set new weightings for the coming half-years;

Whereas the weightings to apply with effect from 1 January 1997 in respect of which payment has been made on the basis of a previous regulation could lead to retrospective adjustments to remuneration (positive or negative);

Whereas provision should be made for back-payments in the event of an increase in remunerations as a result of these weightings;

Whereas provision should be made for the recovery of sums overpaid in the event of a reduction in remunerations as a result of these weightings for the period between 1 January 1997 and the date of the Council decision setting the weightings to apply with effect from 1 January 1997;

Whereas, 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, provision should be made for any such recovery to apply solely 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 12 months following the date of that decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

With effect from 1 January 1997, the weightings applicable to the remuneration payable in the currency of the country of employment to officials of the European Communities serving in third countries 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 Communities 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 of the Staff Regulations, the Council shall set weightings every six months. It shall accordingly set new weightings with effect from 1 July 1997.

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

[1] OJ L 56, 4. 3. 1968, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 338, 28. 12. 1996, p. 1.

For the period between 1 January 1997 and the date of the Council decision setting the weightings applicable with effect from 1 January 1997, 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, concern only a period of no more than six months preceding the decision and this recovery shall be spread over no more than 12 months from the date of that decision.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that 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.

Done at Brussels, 11 September 1997.

For the Council

The President

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ANNEX

Place of employment	Economic parities January 1997	Exchange rates December 1996 (1)	Weightings January 1997 (2)
Albania	2,3192863	3,2558442	71,23
Algeria (3)	0	1,7889728	0,00
Angola	4265,003877	6 427,974545	66,35
Antigua and Barbuda	0,0834901	0,085492	97,66
Argentina	0,0304451	0,0316596	96,16
Australia	0,0332473	0,039061	85,12
Bangladesh	0,7908583	1,3443028	58,83
Barbados	0,0597046	0,0633272	94,28
Belize	0,045913	0,0633272	72,50
Benin	11,8863007	16,4646997	72,19
Bolivia (3)	0	0	0,00
Bosnia-Herzogovina (3)	0	0	0,00
Botswana	0,0640308	0,1134469	56,44
Brazil	0,0262961	0,0329565	79,79
Bulgaria	6,2319255	11,3954919	54,69
Burkina Faso	13,1813583	16,4646997	80,06
Burundi	8,5945616	10,1102012	85,01
Cameroon	15,5001618	16,4646997	94,14
Canada	0,0300111	0,0427296	70,23
Central African Republic	18,722342	16,4646997	113,71
Chad	13,1141837	16,4646997	79,65
Chile	11,7779301	13,2876239	88,64
China	0,2091365	0,2628397	79,57
Colombia	24,057362	31,5159155	76,33
Comoros	10,7490888	12,3485756	87,05
Congo	16,1632836	16,4646997	98,17
Costa Rica	4,7653034	6,8903741	69,16
Cyprus	0,0124231	0,0147078	84,47
Czech Republic	0,5803269	0,8564577	67,76
Djibouti	6,3220573	5,6271453	112,35
Dominican Republic	0,3175031	0,407498	77,92
Egypt	0,063916	0,108183	59,08
Equatorial Guinea	13,1961769	16,4646997	80,15
Eritrea (3)	0	0	0,00
Estonia (3)	0	0	0,00
Ethiopia	0,073167	0,2029591	36,05
Fiji	0,0319565	0,0431388	74,08
Former Yugoslavia (3)	0	0,1601281	0,00
Gabon	20,1378724	16,4646997	122,31
Gambia	0,2522673	0,2866808	88,00
Georgia	0,02634	0,0316626	83,19
Ghana	19,911254	54,3360139	36,64
Grenada	0,0793954	0,085492	92,87
Guatemala (3)	0	0	0,00
Guinea	32,8233804	32,215457	101,89
Guinea-Bissau	551,258248	1 034,575514	53,28
Guyana	2,7521543	4,4648837	61,64
Haiti (3)	0	0,4799346	0,00
Hong Kong	0,2543561	0,2469746	102,99
Hungary	3,1113304	5,1075132	60,92

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India	0,4570552	1,1305056	40,43
Indonesia	55,0454879	75,3409177	73,06
Israel	0,111945	0,1029686	108,72
Ivory Coast	15,4128348	16,4646997	93,61
Jamaica	0,6467954	1,1073952	58,41
Japan (Naka)	4,370148	3,5963461	121,52
Japan (Tokyo)	5,3162356	3,5963461	147,82
Jordan	0,0142689	0,0223489	63,85
Kazakhstan	0,0341119	0,0316626	107,74
Kenya	1,1758019	1,7592935	66,83
Latvia (3)	0	0	0,00
Lebanon	47,7024153	49,3534695	96,65
Left Bank — Gaza Strip (3)	0	0	0,00
Lesotho	0,0737039	0,1446529	50,95
Liberia (3)	0	0,0316626	0,00
Lithuania (3)	0	0	0,00
Madagascar	71,6809326	135,8880283	52,75
Malawi	0,1945112	0,4852249	40,09
Mali	14,2153328	16,4646997	86,34
Malta	0,0090965	0,0113483	80,16
Mauritania	3,4098935	4,5238634	75,38
Mauritius	0,4573221	0,641725	71,26
Mexico	0,126994	0,2492026	50,96
Morocco	0,196073	0,2725835	71,93
Mozambique	202,596902	366,703337	55,25
Namibia	0,0832326	0,1446529	57,54
Netherlands Antilles	0,0463569	0,0563603	82,25
New Caledonia	3,6690028	2,9935638	122,56
Nicaragua (3)	0	0	0,00
Niger	13,2140181	16,4646997	80,26
Nigeria	1,0730223	2,5203518	42,57
Norway	0,2586955	0,2028644	127,52
Pakistan	0,6944841	1,2928415	53,72
Papua New Guinea	0,0377423	0,0432975	87,17
Peru	0,0658509	0,0814399	80,86
Philippines	0,5065196	0,8445946	59,97
Poland	711,7163964	890,0756564	79,96
Republic of Cape Verde	2,1350245	2,6670934	80,05
Romania	66,9816635	113,7009665	58,91
Russia	0,0384548	0,0316626	121,45
Rwanda (3)	0	9,8931539	0,00
São Tomé and Principe (3)	0	0	0,00
Senegal	12,3103703	16,4646997	74,77
Sierra Leone	22,9650415	29,9374308	76,71
Slovakia	0,5870501	0,9881423	59,41
Slovenia	3,8980423	4,3996656	88,60
Solomon Islands	0,1005322	0,1143066	87,95
Somalia (3)	0	82,9600133	0,00
South Africa (Pretoria)	0,0883349	0,1446529	61,07
South Africa (Cape Town)	0,0940993	0,1446529	65,05
South Korea	25,7227432	26,3928845	97,46
Sri Lanka (3)	0	0	0,00
Sudan	1,3696375	4,6227811	29,63
Suriname	7,2175629	12,6968004	56,85

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Swaziland	0,0637808	0,1446529	44,09
Switzerland	0,0489115	0,0410189	119,24
Syria	0,9336631	1,3773346	67,79
Tanzania	8,5749382	19,0927142	44,91
Thailand	0,5779954	0,8159269	70,84
The Democratic Republic of the Congo (3)	0	3 144,654088	0,00
Togo	13,0027615	16,4646997	78,97
Tonga	0,033517	0,0380098	88,18
Trinidad and Tobago	0,1031176	0,1946624	52,97
Tunisia	0,0200931	0,0308804	65,07
Turkey	2 099,524757	3 216,985684	65,26
Uganda	22,0773661	33,7040782	65,50
Ukraine	0,0345641	0,0316626	109,16
United States of America (New York)	0,0299229	0,0316626	94,51
United States of America (San Diego)	0,025212	0,0316626	79,63
United States of America (Washington)	0,0261931	0,0316626	82,73
Uruguay	0,2407301	0,2713483	88,72
Vanuatu	3,9064112	3,5802513	109,11
Venezuela	8,5564162	14,8856041	57,48
Vietnam	131,0788147	349,6259003	37,49
Western Samoa	0,0587856	0,0762253	77,12
Zambia	25,4342493	41,1353353	61,83
Zimbabwe	0,1567778	0,3398817	46,13

(1) Bfrs 1 = local currency.
Georgia, Kazakhstan, Russia, Ukraine = US $.
(2) Brussels = 100 %.
(3) Not available.