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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC, ECSC, EURATOM) No 1945/98

of 8 September 1998

laying down the weightings applicable from 1 January 1998 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 (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68 [1], 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 remuneration payable in the currency of the country of employment to officials serving in third countries should be determined with effect from 1 January 1998;

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 1998 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 1998 and the date of the Council Decision setting the weightings to apply with effect from 1 January 1998;

Whereas, however, in order to mirror the weightings applicable within the European Community to remunerations 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 1998, 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 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 1998.

[1] OJ L 56, 4. 3. 1968, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC, ECSC, Euratom) No 781/81 (OJ L 113, 15. 4. 1998, p. 4).

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 1998 and the date of the Council Decision setting the weightings applicable with effect from 1 January 1998, 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, 8 September 1998.

For the Council

The President

W. SCHÜSSEL

ANNEX

Place of employment	Weightings January 1998
Albania	95,45
Algeria (*)	0,00
Angola	101,22
Antigua and Barbuda	111,37
Argentina	109,52
Australia	80,96
Bangladesh	67,99
Barbados	117,97
Belize	84,01
Benin	77,00
Bolivia (*)	0,00
Bosnia-Herzegovina (*)	0,00
Botswana	64,81
Brazil	99,81
Bulgaria	92,89
Burkina Faso	76,97
Burundi (*)	0,00
Cameroon	94,20
Canada	76,50
Central African Republic	116,07
Chad	88,99
Chile	102,07
China	95,56
Colombia	76,10
Comoros	107,24
Congo (*)	0,00
Costa Rica	85,18
Croatia	0,00
Cyprus	90,19
Czech Republic	69,97
Democratic Republic of Congo (*)	0,00
Djibouti	120,16
Dominican Republic	74,96
Egypt	71,13
Equatorial Guinea	93,39
Eritrea	67,29
Estonia (*)	0,00
Ethiopia	43,85
Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	73,15
Fiji	73,84
Gabon	126,57
Gambia	95,03
Georgia	92,73
Ghana	37,73
Guatemala	69,92
Guinea	110,63
Guinea-Bissau	81,97
Guyana	73,66
Haiti	83,34
Hong Kong	105,18
Hungary	61,74
India	45,48
Indonesia	63,82
Israel	107,68
Ivory Coast	99,81
Jamaica	104,79
Japan (Naka)	125,54
Japan (Tokyo)	152,80
Jordan	76,49
Kazakhstan	94,90
Kenya	78,30
Latvia (*)	0,00
Lebanon	109,57
Left Bank — Gaza Strip (*)	0,00

Place of employment	Weightings January 1998
Lesotho	59,35
Liberia (*)	0,00
Lithuania (*)	0,00
Madagascar	52,31
Malawi	42,45
Mali	89,23
Malta	82,22
Mauritania	79,57
Mauritius	75,88
Mexico	63,31
Morocco	74,26
Mozambique	65,41
Namibia	67,27
Netherlands Antilles	95,03
New Caledonia	118,01
Nicaragua (*)	0,00
Niger	78,03
Nigeria	92,33
Norway	131,70
Pakistan	62,88
Papua New Guinea	87,80
Peru	92,27
Philippines	56,99
Poland	64,69
Republic of Cape Verde	85,89
Romania	63,98
Russia	134,60
Rwanda (*)	0,00
Samoa	80,83
São Tomé and Príncipe (*)	0,00
Senegal	82,68
Sierra Leone	102,59
Slovakia	65,08
Slovenia	90,78
Solomon Islands	105,47
Somalia (*)	0,00
South Africa (Pretoria)	69,82
South Africa (The Cape)	73,59
South Korea	98,62
Sri Lanka (*)	0,00
Sudan	38,32
Suriname	70,42
Swaziland	52,93
Switzerland	123,87
Syria	79,91
Tanzania	85,24
Thailand	53,44
Togo	85,62
Tonga	85,96
Trinidad and Tobago	63,46
Tunisia	66,99
Turkey	76,99
Uganda	71,50
Ukraine	150,97
United States of America (New York)	102,16
United States of America (San Diego)	89,11
United States of America (Washington)	91,94
Uruguay	99,83
Vanuatu	109,30
Venezuela	83,22
Vietnam	67,74
Zambia	75,41
Zimbabwe	45,03

(*) Not available.