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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC, ECSC, EURATOM) No 342/1999

of 15 February 1999

laying down the weightings applicable from 1 July 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], as last amended by Regulation (EC, Euratom, ECSC) No 2762/98 [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 remuneration payable in the currency of the country of employment to officials serving in third countries should be determined with effect from 1 July 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 July 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 remuneration as a result of these weightings;

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

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 twelve months following the date of that decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

With effect from 1 July 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 January 1999.

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 346, 22. 12. 1998, p. 1.

For the period between 1 July 1998 and the date of the Council Decision setting the weightings applicable with effect from 1 July 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 twelve 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, 15 February 1999.

For the Council

The President

E. BULMAHN

ANNEX

Place of employment	Weightings July 1998
Albania	95,31
Algeria (*)	0,00
Angola	114,15
Antigua and Barbuda	115,68
Argentina	107,45
Australia	73,99
Bangladesh	68,33
Barbados	117,60
Belize	83,65
Benin	79,91
Bolivia (*)	0,00
Bosnia-Herzogovina (*)	0,00
Botswana	64,70
Brazil	98,44
Bulgaria	92,77
Burkina Faso	76,53
Burundi (*)	0,00
Cameroon	92,58
Canada	75,41
Central African Republic	115,96
Chad	92,21
Chile	99,26
China	95,49
Colombia	72,52
Comoros	106,96
Congo (*)	0,00
Costa Rica	83,89
Croatia (*)	0,00
Cyprus	88,68
Czech Republic	74,03
Democratic Republic of Congo (*)	0,00
Djibouti	120,30
Dominican Republic	76,71
Egypt	74,31
Equatorial Guinea	92,89
Eritrea	65,24
Estonia	66,79
Ethiopia	41,12
Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	39,88
Fiji	60,88
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (*)	0,00
Gabon	117,56
Gambia	92,78
Georgia	91,07
Ghana	41,03
Guatemala	68,82
Guinea	105,56
Guinea-Bissau	88,78
Guyana	75,41
Haiti	86,68
Hong Kong	106,42
Hungary	60,51
India	46,15
Indonesia	39,19
Israel	104,62
Ivory Coast	98,67
Jamaica	107,38
Japan (Naka)	133,26
Japan (Tokyo)	139,35
Jordan	77,16
Kazakhstan	112,15
Kenya	79,10
Latvia	68,42
Lebanon	111,00
Left Bank — Gaza Strip (*)	0,00
Lesotho	56,83
Liberia (*)	0,00
Lithuania	63,89
Madagascar	50,77
Malawi	30,21
Mali	88,28
Malta	81,64
Mauritania	74,13
Mauritius	71,91
Mexico	65,31
Morocco	74,31
Mozambique	68,48
Namibia	65,50
Netherlands Antilles	94,67
New Caledonia	117,00
Nicaragua (*)	0,00
Niger	77,76
Nigeria	82,52
Norway	127,44
Pakistan	63,87
Papua New Guinea	76,05
Peru	92,14
Philippines	55,47
Poland	68,01
Republic of Cape Verde	81,23
Romania	68,71
Russia	133,63
Rwanda (*)	0,00
Samoa	75,26
São Tomé and Príncipe (*)	0,00
Senegal	81,51
Sierra Leone	96,09
Slovakia	65,55
Slovenia	92,32
Solomon Islands	84,53
Somalia (*)	0,00
South Africa (Pretoria)	67,75
South Africa (The Cape)	70,95
South Korea	80,54
Sri Lanka (*)	0,00
Sudan	36,41
Suriname	74,19
Swaziland	51,22
Switzerland	118,03
Syria	82,53
Tanzania	83,29
Thailand	58,59
Togo	87,85
Tonga	78,17
Trinidad and Tobago	67,02
Tunisia	69,10
Turkey	76,58
Uganda	68,83
Ukraine	153,37
United States of America (New York)	101,06
United States of America (San Diego)	88,68
United States of America (Washington)	91,81
Uruguay	98,71
Vanuatu	105,74
Venezuela	89,86
Vietnam	65,47
Zambia	60,05
Zimbabwe	42,53

(*) Not available.