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AMENDMENTS TO THE PASB STAFF REGULATIONS AND RULES

Introduction

- 1. The Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (PASB) may be supplemented or amended by the Directing Council or the Pan American Sanitary Conference of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) pursuant to Staff Regulation 12.1.
- 2. In accordance with Staff Rule 020, the Staff Rules of the PASB may be amended by the Director, subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of PAHO.
- 3. Accordingly, the Director will submit for confirmation to the 160th Session of the Executive Committee the amendments to the Staff Rules issued by the Director since the Committee's 158th Session (Annex A).

Amendments to the Staff Rules

4. These amendments are made in order to maintain consistency in the conditions of employment of staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau with the United Nations Common System Agencies. The amendments are intended to implement United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) Resolution A/RES/70/244 (2015), which mandated changes to the UN compensation package for professional staff with effect from 1 January 2017. ¹

Remuneration of Professional and Higher Categories

5. As approved by the UNGA, a new salary scale was introduced which replaces the current dual (single and dependency) rate scale with a unified scale. The dependency element was removed from the scale and compensation for recognized dependants will now be provided through specific allowances. Furthermore, the new scale has 13 steps at

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¹ Resolution A/RES/70/244 (2015).

grades P-1 to D-1 and 10 steps at the D-2 level as opposed to the current dual scale with differing numbers of steps within grades.

- 6. In its report for 2016, the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) recommended to the UNGA that the new unified base/floor salary scale for professional and higher categories should be increased by 1.02% through the standard consolidation method of increasing base salary and commensurately reducing post adjustment multiplier points (i.e., on a no-loss/no-gain basis). The new unified scale took effect on 1 January 2017.²
- 7. Amendments to Appendix 1 of the Staff Rules have been prepared accordingly and appear in Annex B of this document.

Salaries of Staff in Ungraded Posts and the Director's Salary

- 8. As a result of the change in salary for staff in the professional and higher categories, a similar revision to the salaries for the posts of Director, Deputy Director, and Assistant Director is also required.
- 9. According to Staff Regulation 3.1, the salary of the Director shall be fixed by the Executive Committee. The salaries of the Deputy Director and Assistant Director shall be determined by the Director of the Bureau with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Revised Compensation Package and Related Entitlements

Definitions

- 10. Staff Rule 310.5.2 has been amended to allow parents who are both staff members of international organizations applying the common system of salaries and allowances to choose which of the two will recognize their dependent children.
- 11. New Staff Rule 310.7 will be used to determine eligibility for the single parent allowance under the new compensation scheme approved by the UNGA.

Salaries

12. Staff Rule 330.1.1 has been amended to reflect the new staff assessment rates to be used in conjunction with gross salaries upon implementation of the unified salary scale for professional and higher categories.

Dependants' Allowances

13. Staff Rule 340 has been amended to include reference to new Staff Rule 310.7 and for clarity.

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² Resolution A/RES/71/264 (2016).

- 14. Staff Rules 340.1 and 340.2 have been amended, and new Staff Rules 340.4 and 340.5 have been included to reflect the introduction of the dependent spouse allowance and single parent allowance in place of the dependency rate of salary in the previous salary scale.
- 15. Staff Rule 340.4 has been renumbered as Staff Rule 340.6.

Education Grant (effective as of the school year in progress on 1 January 2018)

- 16. Staff Rule 350.1.1 has been amended to state that the child's education grant will cease from the award of the first recognized post-secondary degree regardless of years of study.
- 17. Staff Rule 350.2.2 has been amended to limit the eligibility for a lump sum for boarding to staff members assigned outside Headquarters (H) duty stations and for primary and secondary levels only when outside the country or area of the duty station. Staff Rule 350.2.5 has been deleted as it no longer applies.
- 18. Staff Rule 350.4 has been amended to limit admissible expenses under the grant to enrolment-related fees, tuition and mother tongue tuition only.
- 19. New Staff Rule 350.6 is introduced based on the ICSC's recommendation that the education grant be limited to tuition and enrollment related fees, and that capital assessments fees be covered by organizations outside the education grant scheme.
- 20. Appendix 2 to the Staff Rules has been amended to reflect the global sliding scale for the reimbursement of admissible expenses under the education grant scheme, consisting of seven brackets with declining reimbursement levels ranging from 86% at the lowest bracket to 61% at the sixth bracket and no reimbursement at the seventh bracket (Annex C).

Mobility Incentive and Hardship Allowance and Non-Family Service Allowance

21. Staff Rule 360 has been amended to reflect the discontinuance of the non-removal allowance; replacement of the additional hardship allowance with the non-family service allowance; and replacement of the mobility allowance with a mobility incentive applicable to staff with five consecutive years of service, as of their second assignment. The new mobility incentive excludes category H duty stations.

Settling-In Grant

22. Staff Rule 365 has been amended to replace the former "Assignment Grant" with a "Settling-in Grant". The lump sum, equivalent to one month of net base salary plus post adjustment at the new duty station, will be payable at all duty stations, including Headquarters (H) duty stations. The designation of duty stations as full removal (R) or

non-removal (NR) is discontinued and the non-removal allowance is eliminated. This also eliminates the second lump-sum payment previously payable under certain conditions.

Repatriation Grant

23. Staff Rules 370.1, 370.1.1 and 370.1.2 have been amended to reflect the new threshold of five years for the length of expatriate service triggering eligibility for the repatriation grant. This will apply to new staff as of 1 January 2017. Current staff will retain eligibility under the former schedule only requiring one year of expatriate service.

End of Service Grant

24. Minor revisions to Staff Rule 375 are being made to align with revised rules on the mandatory age of separation.

Recruitment Policies

25. Staff Rule 410.2 has been amended to reflect 65 as the normal age limit for appointment, rather than 62, in line with the new mandatory age of separation approved by the UNGA.

Assignment to Duty

26. Staff Rule 510.2 has been amended to delete the definition of "removal" and "non-removal" duty stations. All assignments requiring the installation of a staff member at a duty station for a period of at least one year will be treated in the same manner.

Within-Grade Increase

- 27. Staff Rule 550.2.2 has been amended to extend the time-frame for granting within-grade step increases to professional staff from one year to two years, beginning with those step increases marked with an asterisk in the salary scale shown at Annex B.
- 28. Staff Rule 550.3 has been deleted due to the elimination of the accelerated step increase for demonstrated proficiency in a second official language.

Home Leave

29. Staff Rule 640.4 has been amended to reflect the discontinuance of accelerated home leave for duty stations falling under the Rest and Recuperation framework considering the overlap between accelerated home leave travel and rest and recuperation travel. Accelerated home leave will only apply to D and E category duty stations that do not fall under the Rest and Recuperation framework.

Travel of Staff Members

30. Staff Rules under 810 have been amended to reflect the discontinuance of the second education grant travel under Staff Rule 820.2.5.3.

Travel of Spouse and Children

31. The Staff Rules under 820 are amended to eliminate the second education grant round trip and to restrict eligibility for the annual round trip under the education grant to children of staff in receipt of assistance with boarding expenses.

Relocation Shipment

32. Staff Rule 855 is amended to discontinue the distinction between R (removal entitlement) and NR (non-removal) assignments and to introduce the concept of and terminology concerning relocation shipment.

Failure to Exercise Entitlement

33. Staff Rule 860 is amended to reflect the new terminology concerning relocation shipment.

Expenses on Death

34. Staff Rule 870.2 is amended to reflect the new terminology concerning relocation shipment.

Retirement

35. Staff Rule 1020 has been amended to implement, with effect from 1 January 2018, the new retirement age of 65 for those staff members appointed on or before 1 January 2014 while taking into account the acquired rights of staff. Therefore, all staff will separate at the age of 65 unless those who joined the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund before 1 January 2014 decide to exercise their acquired right and retire when they reach their original retirement age (60 or 62) or between their original retirement age and age 65.

Financial Implications

36. The financial savings associated with the ICSC's recommendations on the common system compensation package are estimated at US\$ 113.2 million³ per annum, UN system-wide.

³ Unless otherwise indicated, all monetary figures in this report are expressed in United States dollars.

37. The financial implications associated with the Commission's recommendation on an increase of the base/floor salary scale are estimated at approximately \$438,000 per annum, system-wide.

Action by the Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration

38. The Subcommittee is requested to review the Amendments to the PASB Staff Regulations and Rules contained in the present document and make recommendations to the Executive Committee.

Annexes

Annex A

Amendments to PASB Staff Rules Issued by the Director since the 158th Session of the Executive Committee

FORMER TEXT **NEW TEXT** 310. DEFINITIONS 310. DEFINITIONS **310.5.2** a child as defined by the Bureau and for **310.5.2** a child as defined by the Bureau and for whom the staff member certifies that he provides whom the staff member certifies that he provides the main and continuing support, provided that the main and continuing support, provided that the child is under 18 years of age or, if in full the child is under 18 years of age or, if in fulltime attendance at a school or university, under time attendance at a school or university, under the age of 21 years. Age and school attendance the age of 21 years. Age and school attendance requirements shall not apply if the child is requirements shall not apply if the child is physically or mentally incapacitated for physically or mentally incapacitated for employment substantial gainful employment, either substantial gainful either permanently or for a period expected to be of permanently or for a period expected to be of long duration. If both parents are staff members long duration. If both parents are staff members of international organizations applying the of international organizations applying the common system of salaries and allowances, the common system of salaries and allowances, the children, if determined to be dependant, shall be children, if determined dependent, shall will be recognized as the dependants of the parent recognized as the dependants of the parent whose annual gross occupational earnings yield whose annual gross occupational earnings yield the higher amount; the higher amount;, unless the concerned staff members request otherwise; 310.7 A "single parent" is a staff member who meets the following criteria: 310.7.1 The staff member does not have a spouse; 310.7.2 The staff member has dependent child as defined under Rule 310.5.2; 310.7.3 The staff member provides main and continuing support to the child.

330. SALARIES

330.1 Gross base salaries shall be subject to the following assessments:

330.1.1 For professional and higher graded staff:

Assessable	Staff assessment ra	ates for							
income	me those with dependants (as								
US\$	defined in Rules 3	10.5.1 and							
	310.5.2)								
		%							
First 50,000		15							
Next 50,000		21							
Next 50,000		27							
Remaining as	sessable payments	30							
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Amounts of staff assessment for those with neither a dependent spouse nor a dependent child would be equal to the difference between the gross salaries at different grades and steps and the corresponding net salaries at the single rate.

340. DEPENDANTS' ALLOWANCES

Staff members in the professional or higher category, except those holding temporary appointments as defined in Rule 420.4, are entitled to a dependant's allowance dependants as defined in Rule 310.5, to be paid as follows:

340.1 For a dependent child, except that in cases where there is no dependent spouse the first dependent child is not entitled to an allowance. The entitlement shall be reduced by the amount of any benefit paid from any other public source by way of social security payments, or under public law, by reason of such child.

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330.1 Gross base salaries shall be subject to the following assessments:

330.1.1 For professional and higher graded staff:

Assessable income US\$	Staff assessment rates (%) for those with dependants (as defined in Rules 310.5.1						
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	,	%					
First 50,000		15 17					
Next 50,000		21 24					
Next 50,000		27 30					
Remaining ass	30 34						

Amounts of staff assessment for those with neither a dependent spouse nor a dependent child would be equal to the difference between the gross salaries at different grades and steps and the corresponding net salaries at the single rate.

340. DEPENDANTS' AND SINGLE PARENT'S ALLOWANCES

Staff members in appointed to the professional or higher categories, except those holding temporary appointments as defined in Rule 420.4, are entitled to a dependant's allowance for dependants as defined in Rule 310.5, to be paid as follows an allowance, as follows:

340.1 For a dependent child, as defined in Staff Rule 310.5.2. except that in cases where there is no dependent spouse the first dependent child is not entitled to an allowance. The entitlement shall be reduced by the amount of any benefit paid from any other public source by way of social security payments, or under public law, by reason of such child.

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340.2 For a child who is physically or mentally	340.2 For a child who is physically or mentally
disabled subject to the conditions defined in Rule	disabled subject to the conditions, as defined in
340.1, except that if the staff member has no	Staff Rule 340.1 310.5.2, an amount equivalent
dependent spouse and receives the "with	to double the dependent child allowance. The
dependant" rate of net salary by virtue of such a	entitlement shall be reduced by the amount of
child, the allowance shall be the same as for a	any benefit paid from any other public source
dependent child in Rule 340.1, above.	by way of social security payments, or under
	public law, by reason of such child. except that if the staff member has no dependent spouse and
	receives the "with dependant" rate of net salary
	by virtue of such a child, the allowance shall be
	the same as for a dependent child in Rule 340.1
	above.
	above.
340.3 For a father, mother, brother or sister.	340.3 For a dependent father, mother, brother
	or sister-, as defined in Staff Rule 310.5.3.
	340.4 For a dependant spouse, as defined in
	Staff Rule 310.5.1.
	340.5 For being recognized as a single parent,
	as defined in Staff Rule 310.7.
340.4 The amount of the allowances to be paid	340.46 The amount of the allowances to be paid
under this rule shall be consistent with the	under this Staff #Rule shall be consistent with
conditions of service established for the United	the conditions of service established for the
Nations Common System.	United Nations Common System.
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350. EDUCATION GRANT	350. EDUCATION GRANT
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350.1.1 the education grant shall be paid starting with the school year in	350.1.1 the education grant shall be paid starting with the school year in
which a dependent child, as defined	which a dependent child, as defined
under Staff Rule 310.5.2, is five	under Staff Rule 310.5.2, is five
	years of age or older at the
years of age or older at the	, ,
beginning of the school year, or when the child reaches the age of	beginning of the school year, or when the child reaches the age of
five within three months of the	five within three months of the
Tive within three months of the	live within three months of the

beginning of the school year, if it

beginning of the school year, if it

can be shown that the child is attending a full-time program that contains the basic elements of formal education as a major part of its curriculum. The grant shall extend up to the end of the school year in which a staff member's child reaches the age of 25, or completes four years of post-secondary studies, whichever is earlier;

. . .

350.2 This grant is payable for:

. . .

at an educational institution outside the country or area of the official station, including the cost of full board if provided by the institution. Where full board is not provided by the institution, a flat amount is paid in lieu:

. . .

350.2.5 the cost of boarding for attendance at an educational institution in the country of the official station, but beyond commuting distance from the official station, when no suitable education facilities exist in that area;

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350.2.6 tuition for teaching the mother tongue to a child, in respect of whom the staff member is entitled

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can be shown that the child is attending a full-time program that contains the basic elements of formal education as a major part of its curriculum. The grant shall extend up to the end of the school year in which a staff member's child reaches the age of 25, or completes four years of post-secondary studies or is awarded the first post-secondary degree, whichever is earlier;

. . .

350.2 This grant is payable for:

. . .

an educational institution outside the country or area of the official duty station, including the cost of full board if provided by the institution. Where full board is not provided by the institution, a flat amount is paid in lieu; An additional lump sum is payable, to a staff member assigned to a non-Headquarters duty station, for boarding-related expenses incurred at the primary and secondary education levels.

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350.2.5 the cost of boarding for attendance at an educational institution in the country of the official station, but beyond commuting distance from the official station, when no suitable education facilities exist in that area;

. . .

350.2.65 tuition for teaching the mother tongue to a child, in respect of

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to the grant under Rule 350.1.1,	whom the staff member is entitled
who is attending a local school in	to the grant under Rule 350.1.1,
which the instruction is given in a language other than the child's own,	who is attending a local school in which the instruction is given in a
when the staff member is serving at	language other than the child's own,
an official station in a country	when the staff member is serving at
whose language is different from	an official station in a country
his own and where satisfactory	whose language is different from
school facilities for learning the	his own and where satisfactory
latter are not available.	school facilities for learning the latter are not available.
	latter are not available.
350.4 "Cost of attendance" is defined as the cost	350.4 "Cost of attendance" is defined as the cost
of enrolment, registration, prescribed textbooks, courses, examinations and diplomas, but not	of tuition, including mother tongue tuition, and enrolment-related fees only. , registration,
school uniforms or optional charges. It may	prescribed textbooks, courses, examinations and
include the cost of midday meals and the cost of	diplomas, but not school uniforms or optional
daily group transportation when these are	charges. It may include the cost of midday meals
provided by the school and the cost is included in the hilling for the shilling advection	and the cost of daily group transportation when
in the billing for the child's education.	these are provided by the school and the cost is included in the billing for the child's education.
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	350.6 Capital assessment fees charged by
	education institutions shall be reimbursed,
	outside the education grant scheme, under
	conditions prescribed by the Bureau.
360. MOBILITY, HARDSHIP AND NON-	360. MOBILITY INCENTIVE, HARDSHIP
REMOVAL SCHEME	AND NON-REMOVAL SCHEME
	ALLOWANCE AND NON-FAMILY
	SERVICE ALLOWANCE
	The following non-pensionable allowances are
	paid to staff members, except those hired
	under Staff Rule 1310 or 1330, who are appointed or reassigned to ICSC-designated
	categories of duty stations for a period of one
	year or more. These allowances are
	determined by the Bureau on the basis of
	conditions and procedures established by the
	International Civil Service Commission (ICSC):
	(ICSC).

360.1 Staff members, except those holding temporary appointments as defined in Rule 420.4 or those appointed under Rule 1310, who are assigned or transferred to an official station, shall receive non-pensionable allowances designed to provide incentives for mobility. A non-pensionable allowance designed to recognize varying degrees of hardship different official duty stations will also be paid to staff members holding service, fixed-term or temporary appointments.

360.2 The mobility and hardship scheme is composed of three allowances: mobility. hardship and non-removal, and shall be paid as determined by the Bureau on the basis of conditions and procedures approved by the United Nations General Assembly for the United Nations System.

360.1 Staff members, except those holding temporary appointments as defined in Rule 420.4 or those appointed under Rule 1310, who are assigned or transferred to an official station, shall receive non-pensionable allowances designed to provide incentives for mobility. A non-pensionable allowance designed to recognize varying degrees of hardship at different official duty stations will also be paid to staff members holding service, fixed-term or temporary appointments. Mobility Incentive: In order to provide incentives for mobility, an allowance is paid to staff members holding fixed-term or service appointments.

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360.2 The mobility and hardship scheme is composed of three allowances: mobility, hardship and non-removal, and shall be paid as determined by the Bureau on the basis of conditions and procedures approved by the United Nations General Assembly for the United Nations System. Hardship Allowance: In order to recognize varying degrees of hardship at different duty stations, a hardship allowance is paid to staff members holding fixed-term, service or temporary appointments.

360.3 Non-Family Service Allowance: In service recognize stations with family restrictions, a non-family service allowance is paid to staff members holding fixed-term, service or temporary appointments.

365. ASSIGNMENT GRANT

365.1 On authorized travel upon appointment or upon reassignment to an official station for a period of at least one year, a fixed-term staff member will be paid an assignment grant. The assignment grant consists of two components: a) the Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) travel

365. ASSIGNMENT SETTLING-IN GRANT

365.1 On authorized travel upon appointment or upon reassignment to an official station for a period of at least one year, a fixed-term staff member will be paid an assignment settling-in grant. The assignment grant consists of two components: a) the Daily Subsistence Allowance

per diem applicable to both removal and non-removal duty stations, and b) the lump sum portion for non-removal duty stations only. (See, Staff Rule 365.6 with respect to temporary staff.)

- **365.2** The per diem portion of the assignment grant will be paid to fixed-term staff members as follows:
 - 365.2.1 with respect to a staff member himself or herself, an amount equal to 30 days of full per diem as of the date of arrival at the official station:
 - 365.2.2 with respect to the staff member's spouse and dependent children accompanying or joining the staff member at the duty station, per diem for 30 days at half rate as of the date of their arrival at the duty station;

- **365.3** The lump sum portion of the assignment grant is:
 - **365.3.1** payable to fixed-term staff in non-removal cases only, as defined in Staff Rule 510.2.2;

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(DSA) travel per diem applicable to both removal and non removal duty stations, and b) the lump sum portion for non-removal duty stations only. (See, Staff Rule 365.6 with respect to temporary staff.)

- 365.2 The per diem portion of the assignment grant will be paid to fixed-term staff members as follows:
 - 365.2.1 with respect to a staff member himself or herself, an amount equal to 30 days of full per diem as of the date of arrival at the official station:
 - 365.2.2 with respect to the staff member's spouse and dependent children accompanying or joining the staff member at the duty station, per diem for 30 days at half rate as of the date of their arrival at the duty station:
- 365.2 The amount of the settling-in grant shall be the equivalent of the travel per diem applicable on the date the individual arrives at the duty station:
 - 365.2.1 for the staff member for a period of 30 days;
 - 365.2.2 for the spouse and/or dependant child(ren) accompanying or joining the staff member at the Organization's expense under Rule 820, for 15 days.
- 365.3 The lump sum portion of the assignment grant is:
 - 365.3.1 payable to fixed-term staff in nonremoval cases only, as defined in Staff Rule 510.2.2:

365.3.2 equal to one-month's net salary plus the applicable post adjustment upon the staff member's arrival at the official station. Subject conditions established bv the Bureau on the basis of conditions and procedures approved by the United Nations General Assembly for the United Nations System, the assignment grant will be increased by a second lump sum if the duration of the staff member's assignment exceeds three years;

365.3.3 recovered proportionately under conditions established by the Bureau if a staff member resigns from the Bureau within six months of the date of his appointment or reassignment.

365.4 If both spouses are staff members of international organizations applying the common system of salaries and allowances at the same official station, each staff member will receive the per diem portion of the assignment grant specified under Staff Rule 365.2.1. With respect to the per diem portion of the assignment grant payable under Staff Rules 365.2.2 and 365.2.3, payment will be made to the staff member in respect of whom a child has been recognized by the Organization as a dependent. The lump sum portion of the assignment grant payable under

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365.3.2 equal to one month's net salary plus the applicable post adjustment upon the staff member's arrival at the official station. Subject to conditions established by the Bureau on the basis of conditions and procedures approved by the United Nations General Assembly for the United Nations System, the assignment grant will be increased by a second lump sum if the duration of the staff member's assignment exceeds three years; the settling-in grant shall also include a lump sum calculated and payable on the basis of one month of the staff member's net base salary and, as applicable, the post adjustment at the duty station to which the staff member is assigned and at the rate applicable from the date of arrival at the duty station.

365.3..31 The lump sum shall be recovered proportionately under conditions established by the Bureau if a staff member resigns from the Bureau within six months of the date of his appointment or reassignment.

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Rule 365.3 will be paid to the spouse whose entitlement yields the higher amount.

- **365.5** The DSA assignment grant will not be paid:
 - **365.5.1** for children born, or for any other dependent acquired, after the arrival of the staff member at the duty station;
 - **365.5.2** to a staff member who is separated from service and subsequently offered a new appointment at the same duty station within one year.
- **365.6** On authorized travel upon appointment, a staff member holding a temporary appointment will be paid the per diem portion of the assignment grant only with respect of himself or herself, in accordance with Staff Rule 365.2.1. Temporary staff are not eligible to receive the lump sum portion of the assignment grant. Any payment made under Staff Rule 365.2.1 may not be inconsistent with Staff Rule 365.5.2.

370. REPATRIATION GRANT

370.1 A staff member who on leaving the service of the Bureau, other than by summary dismissal under Rule 1075.2, has performed at least one year of continuous service outside the country of his or her recognized place of residence under a fixed-term or service appointment shall be entitled to a repatriation grant in accordance with the following schedules and with Rule 380.2. Payment in respect of entitlements accrued as from 1 July 1979 shall be subject to receipt from the former staff member of documentary evidence, in accordance with established criteria, of relocation outside

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payable under Rule 365.3 will be paid to the spouse whose entitlement yields the higher amount.

- **365.5** The DSA settling-in assignment grant will not be paid:
 - **365.5.1** for children born, or for any other dependent acquired, after the arrival of the staff member at the duty station;
 - **365.5.2** to a staff member who is separated from service and subsequently offered a new appointment at the same duty station within one year.
- **365.6** On authorized travel upon appointment, a staff member holding a temporary appointment will be paid the **settling-in** per diem portion of the assignment grant **under Rule 365.2.1** only with respect of himself or herself, in accordance with Staff Rule 365.2.1. Temporary staff are not eligible to receive the lump sum portion of the assignment **settling-in** grant. Any payment made under Staff Rule 365.2.1 may not be inconsistent with Staff Rule 365.5.2.

370. REPATRIATION GRANT

370.1 A staff member who on leaving the service of the Bureau, other than by summary dismissal under Rule 1075.2, has performed at least one five years of continuous service outside the country of his recognized place of residence under a fixed-term or service appointment shall be entitled to a repatriation grant in accordance with the following schedules and with Rule 380.2. Payment in respect of entitlements accrued as from 1 July 1979 shall be subject to receipt from the former staff member of documentary evidence, in accordance with established criteria.

the country of his or her last official station or residence during his or her last assignment, with due regard to the provisions of Rule 370.4. This part of the grant is payable if it is claimed within two years of the effective date of separation;

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relocation outside the country of his or her the staff member's last official duty station or residence during his or her the last assignment, with due regard to the provisions of Rule 370.4. This part of the grant is payable if it is claimed within two years of the effective date of separation;.

370.1.1 Repatriation grant for staff members in the professional and higher categories:

	Weeks o	f salary		
Years of qualifying service	Without spouse or dependent children	With spouse or dependent children		
Not less than 1	3	4		
2	5	8		
3	6	10		
4	7	12		
5	8	14		
6	9	16		
7	10	18		
8	11	20		
9	13	22		
10	14	24		
11	15	26		
12 or more	16	28		

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	Weeks of	
Years of	Without	With spouse
qualifying	spouse or	or
service	dependent children	dependent children
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Not less	3	4
than 1		
2	5	8
3	6	10
4	7	12
5	8	14
6	9	16
7	10	18
8	11	20
9	13	22
10	14	24
11	15	26
12 or	16	28
more	16	28

370.1.2 Repatriation grant for staff members in the general service category:

	Weeks of salary					
Years of Qualifying service	Without spouse or dependent children	With spouse or dependent children				
Not less than 1	2	4				
2	4	8				
3	5	10				
4	6	12				
5	7	14				
6	8	16				
7	9	18				
8	10	20				
9	11	22				
10	12	24				
11	13	26				
12 or more	14	28				

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370.1.2 Repatriation grant for staff members in the general service category:

		of salary
Years of Qualifyin g service	Without spouse or dependent children	With spouse or dependent children
Not less than 1	2	4
2	4	8
3	5	10
4	6	12
5	7	14
6	8	16
7	9	18
8	10	20
9	11	22
10	12	24
11	13	26
12 or more	14	28

375. END-OF-SERVICE GRANT

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410. RECRUITMENT POLICIES	410. RECRUITMENT POLICIES
410.2 Candidates under 20 or over 62 years of age shall not normally be considered for appointment.	410.2 Candidates under 20 or over 625 years of age shall not normally be considered for appointment.
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For the practical implications of R and NR assignments on the mobility and hardship allowance, see Rule 360; on assignment grant, see Rule 365; on transportation of personal effects, see Rule 850; and on removal, see Rule 855.	For the practical implications of R and NR assignments on the mobility and hardship allowance, see Rule 360; on assignment grant, see Rule 365; on transportation of personal effects, see Rule 850; and on removal, see Rule 855.
	510.2 An assignment for the purpose of entitlement to settling-in grant, mobility incentive and relocation shipment is an assignment requiring the installation of the staff member in the duty station for a period of at least one year.

550. WITHIN-GRADE INCREASE

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550.2 The unit of service time is defined as the minimum length of time which must be served at a step in order to achieve a within grade salary increase under the terms of Rule 550.1. The unit of service time is as follows:

- **550.2.1** one year of full time service at all levels and steps except at those in Rule 550.2.2;
- 550.2.2 two years of full time service at levels: P-2 step XI, P-3 steps XIII and XIV, P-4 step XII to step XIV, P-5 step X to step XII, P-6/D-1 step IV to step VIII, and D-2 step I to step V;

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550.3 The unit of service time shall be reduced to 10 months under Rule 550.2.1 and to 20 months under Rule 550.2.2 in the case of staff members who have demonstrated, by passing a prescribed test, proficiency in a second official language of the Bureau. Staff members whose mother tongue is one of the official languages of the Bureau must demonstrate proficiency in a second official language. Linguistic staff (translators and editors) are only eligible for the accelerated within-grade increase if they pass the language proficiency examination in an official language not required in their job descriptions.

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FORMER TEXT NEW TEXT 640. HOME LEAVE 640. HOME LEAVE **640.4** The date of eligibility for home leave 640.4 The date of eligibility for home leave shall be the date on which the staff member has shall be the date on which the staff member has completed 24 months of qualifying service, completed 24 months of qualifying service, except at those official stations designated by the except at those official stations designated by the Director as having difficult conditions of life and Director as having difficult conditions of life and work. At the designated official stations, the work. At the designated official stations, the date of eligibility shall be the date on which the date of eligibility shall be the date on which the staff member has completed 12 months of staff member has completed 12 months of qualifying service; however, the date may be qualifying service; however, the date may be determined according to criteria established by determined according to criteria established by the Director in cases of reassignment or the Director in cases of reassignment or reclassification of official stations. All official reclassification of official stations. All official stations are classified for this purpose, according stations are classified for this purpose, according to their home leave cycle, as "24 month stations" to their home leave cycle, as "24 month stations" or "12 month stations." or "12-month stations." Staff members shall be eligible for home leave as follows: (a) Upon completion of 12 months of qualifying service at a D or E duty station that does not fall under the Rest and Recuperation Scheme (these duty stations are known for purposes of their home leave cycles as "12-month stations"); or (b) Upon completion of 24 months of qualifying service at any other duty station (these duty stations are known for purposes of their home leave cycles as "24-month stations"). reassignment (c) cases of

reclassification of a duty station, upon completion of the period of qualifying service determined by the Director in accordance with established criteria.

FORMER TEXT 810. TRAVEL OF STAFF MEMBERS

The Bureau shall pay the travel expenses of a staff member as follows:

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810.5 Once in each interval between home leave eligibility dates (or once during an appointment of equivalent duration) from the official station to the place where the staff member's spouse and children, as defined in Rule 820.1, are residing, and return to the official station, provided that:

810.5.1 the staff member has waived his entitlements to the travel of his spouse and children under Rules 820 and 825, except for education grant travel under Rules 820.2.5.2 and 820.2.5.3;

820. TRAVEL OF SPOUSE AND CHILDREN

820.1 Family members recognized as eligible for purposes of travel at the Bureau's expense are:

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820.1.3 each such child for whom travel expenses have previously been paid by the Bureau, to the extent of the final one way passage either to join the staff member at the official station or to return to country of the recognized place of residence within one year after ceasing to qualify as a dependant. Organization's financial responsibility shall be limited to the cost of one way travel between the official station and the recognized place of residence. However, if a round trip to which the child may be entitled under Rule 820.2.5.2 or 820.2.5.3 is completed after the end

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of the scholastic year in which the child reaches the age of 21, this travel shall not be authorized;

- **820.1.4** a child entitled to the education grant under Rule 350.1.2, for purposes of travel under Rules 820.2.5.1, 820.2.5.2, 820.2.5.3 and 820.2.5.5.
- **820.2** Except for staff members holding temporary appointments as defined in Rule 420.4, the Bureau shall pay the travel expenses of a staff member's spouse and dependent children as defined in Rule 820.1 under the following circumstances:
 - 820.2.1 on appointment for a period of not less than one year, from the recognized place of residence or, at the option of the Bureau, the place of recruitment, to the official station, or from some other place, provided that the cost to the Bureau does not exceed that for the travel from the recognized place of residence, and subject to the requirement that in any case the spouse and dependent children remain at the official station at least six months;

820.2.5 for a child for whom there is an entitlement to an education grant under Rule 350 for study outside the commuting distance of the official station, provided Rule 655.2.4 does not apply:

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820.2.5 for a child for whom there is an entitlement to boarding under an education grant under in accordance with Rule 350 for study outside the commuting distance of the official duty station, provided Rule 655.2.4 does not apply:

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- 820.2.5.3 a second such round trip each scholastic year under the same conditions as under Rule 820.2.5.2 if the staff member is assigned to an official station designated for this purpose, provided that the staff member does not go on home leave during that scholastic year;
- 820.2.5.4 return travel on home leave between the place of study and the place to which the staff member is authorized to travel under Rule 640.5 (provided that the cost to the Bureau is limited to the cost of return travel between the official station and the staff member's recognized place of residence) if:
 - 1) the travel coincides with the staff member's travel on home leave;
 - 2) the child is under the age of 21 years; and
 - 3) the travel is reasonably timed in relation to other authorized travel under Rule 820;
- 820.2.5.5 the final one way passage defined in Rule 820.1.3 within one year after ceasing to qualify for education grant under Rule 350.1.2, provided that such entitlement has not already been exercised under Rule 820.1.3. The Bureau's financial responsibility shall be limited to the cost of one

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- 820.2.5.43 return travel on home leave between the place of study and the place to which the staff member is authorized to travel under Rule 640.5 (provided that the cost to the Bureau is limited to the cost of return travel between the official station and the staff member's recognized place of residence) if:
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 - 2) the child is under the age of 21 years; and
 - 3) the travel is reasonably timed in relation to other authorized travel under Rule 820;
- 820.2.5.54 the final one-way passage defined in Rule 820.1.3 within one year after ceasing to qualify for education grant under Rule 350.1.2, provided that such entitlement has not already been exercised under Rule 820.1.3. The Bureau's financial responsibility shall be limited to the cost of one-

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recognized place of residence.	recognized place of residence.
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or 820.2.5.3 is completed after	or 820.2.5.3 is completed after
the child ceases to qualify for	the child ceases to qualify for
an education grant under Rule	an education grant under Rule
350.1.2, this travel shall not	350.1.2, this travel shall not
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855. REMOVAL OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS	855. REMOVAL OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS
	RELOCATION SHIPMENT
855.1 On an R assignment (see Rule 510.2.1) a staff member holding a fixed-term or service appointment of at least two years and whose recognized place of residence is other than and not in the area of his official station, shall be entitled to reimbursement, within established limits, for the expense of moving his household goods:	855.1 On an R assignment (see Rule 510.2.1), a sStaff members holding a fixed-term or service appointment who are installed of for at least two years and whose one year at a duty station that is not their recognized place of residence is other than and not in the area of his official station, shall be are entitled to reimbursement, within established limits, for the expense cost of moving his their household goods.: Reimbursement is made when a staff member is assigned to a duty station (see Staff Rule 510.2) and when a staff member is separated from service, except as specified in Staff Rule 1010.2.
855.1.1 on initial assignment to an official station if the R assignment is expected to last at least two years;	855.1.1 on initial assignment to an official station if the R assignment is expected to last at least two years;
855.1.2 on any subsequent change of official station if the new R assignment is expected to last at least two years;	855.1.2 on any subsequent change of official station if the new R assignment is expected to last at least two years;
855.1.3 on separation, except as provided in Rule 1010.2.	855.1.3 on separation, except as provided in Rule 1010.2.

855.2 On an NR assignment (see Rule 510.2.2) a staff member holding a fixed-term or service appointment of at least two years is entitled to receive the mobility and hardship allowance in accordance with Rule 360 and an assignment grant in accordance with Rule 365 but is not entitled to the removal of household goods.

855.3 If both spouses are staff members of international organizations applying the common system of salaries and allowances, the entitlement to the removal of household goods shall be governed by terms and conditions set forth in the WHO/PAHO Manual.

860. FAILURE TO EXERCISE ENTITLEMENT

In no case shall a staff member be given any cash payment in lieu of exercising any entitlement under this section. Any entitlement to repatriation travel or removal which is not exercised within one year of the date of termination of the appointment shall be forfeited, except upon the express approval by the Director of an extension.

870. EXPENSES ON DEATH

870.2 A deceased staff member's spouse and child(ren) shall be entitled to travel and transportation of personal effects to any place, provided that the Bureau had an obligation to repatriate them under Rule 820.2.7 and that the cost to the Bureau does not exceed that for travel and transportation to the deceased staff member's recognized place of residence. Entitlement to removal expenses is determined by Rule 855.1.3.

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1020. RETI		1020. RETIREMENT
day of the m	ff members must retire on the last onth in which they reach retirement ally when they reach:	1020.1 Except as specified below, sStaff members must retire on the last day of the month in which they reach retirement age 65. specifically when they reach
1020.1.1	Age 60, if they became participants in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF) before 1 January 1990.	1020.1.1 Staff members who became participants in the Age 60, if they became participants in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF) before 1 January 1990 may elect to retire on the last day of the month in which they reach age 60, or between the ages of 60 and 65, by giving at least three months' written notice of the elected date of retirement.
1020.1.2	Age 62, if they became participants in the UNJSPF on or after 1 January 1990.	1020.1.2 Staff members who became participants in the Age 62, if they became participants in the UNJSPF United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund on or after between 1 January 1990 and 31 December 2013 inclusive may elect to retire on the last day of the month in which they reach age 62, or between the ages of 62 and 65, by giving at least three months' written notice of the elected date of retirement.
1020.1.3	Age 65, if they became participants in the UNJSPF on or after 1 January 2014.	1020.1.3 Age 65, if they became participants in the UNJSPF on or after 1 January 2014. Staff members shall not change their elected date of retirement once they have given three months' notice pursuant to Staff Rule 1020.1.1 or 1020.1.2.

1020.2 In exceptional circumstances, a staff member's appointment may be extended beyond his normal age of retirement provided that the extension is in the interest of the Bureau and that not more than a one year extension shall be granted at a time. For those who would normally retire pursuant to Staff Rules 1020.1.1 or 1020.1.2, extensions shall not be granted beyond the staff member's sixty-fifth birthday. For those who would normally retire pursuant to Staff Rule 1020.1.3, extensions shall not be granted beyond the staff member's sixty-eight birthday.

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Annex B

Appendix 1 to the Staff Rules Salary Scale for the Professional and Higher Categories: Annual Gross Salaries and Net Equivalents after Application of Staff Assessment

(in U.S. Dollars) (Effective 1 January 2017)

Step

Level		I	II .	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	ΧI	XII	XIII
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D-2	Gross Net	139 500 107 150	142 544 109 281	145 589 111 412	148 637 113 546	151 788 115 680	155 018 117 812	158 248 119 944	161 479 122 076	164 709 124 208	167 939 126 340	*	*	*
D-1	Gross Net	124 807 96 865	127 483 98 738	130 160 100 612	132 837 102 486	135 506 104 354	138 183 106 228	140 857 108 100	143 529 109 970	146 207 111 845 *	148 880 113 716	151 648 115 588 *	154 483 117 459	157 320 119 331
P-5	Gross Net	107 459 84 721	109 734 86 314	112 011 87 908	114 284 89 499	116 561 91 093	118 834 92 684	121 113 94 279 *	123 387 95 871	125 663 97 464 *	127 937 99 056	130 214 100 650	132 486 102 240 *	134 764 103 835 *
P-4	Gross Net	88 351 70 647	90 374 72 184	92 396 73 721	94 418 75 258	96 441 76 795	98 462 78 331	100 529 79 870 *	102 724 81 407 *	104 919 82 943 *	107 114 84 480 *	109 314 86 020 *	111 504 87 553 *	113 701 89 091
P-3	Gross Net	72 478 58 583	74 349 60 005	76 221 61 428	78 091 62 849	79 964 64 273	81 836 65 695	83 707 67 117 *	85 582 68 542 *	87 451 69 963	89 324 71 386 *	91 199 72 811 *	93 068 74 232	94 942 75 656 *
P-2	Gross Net	55 955 46 026	57 629 47 298	59 303 48 570	60 976 49 842	62 651 51 115	64 328 52 389	66 003 53 662	67 674 54 932 *	69 350 56 206	71 022 57 477 *	72 696 58 749 *	74 374 60 024 *	76 045 61 294 *
P-1	Gross Net	43 371 35 998	44 672 37 078	45 973 38 158	47 275 39 238	48 575 40 317	49 877 41 398	51 287 42 478	52 708 43 558	54 129 44 638	55 551 45 719	56 971 46 798	58 391 47 877	59 812 48 957

^{*} The normal qualifying period for a within-grade increase between consecutive steps is one year, except at those steps marked with an asterisk, for which a two-year period at the step is required to proceed to the next step (Staff Rule 550.2).

Annex C

Appendix 2 Education Grant Entitlement Education Grant Scale, Adjusted on the Basis of 2014-2015 Tuition Fees

(Effective school year in progress 1 January 2018)

Claim amount bracket (in U.S. Dollars)	Reimbursement rate (percentage)
0 – 11,600	86
11,601 – 17,400	81
17,401 – 23,200	76
23,201 – 29,000	71
29,001 – 34,800	66
34,801 – 40,600	61
40,601 and above	_

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