



**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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## **EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES COMMISSION**

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, as last amended by Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1558/2007 of 17 December 2007 (O.J. L340 of 22/12/2007),

Having regard to the internal rules on the allowance for living conditions and the additional allowance referred to in Article 10 of Annex X to the Staff Regulations which entered into force on 10 October 1987,

Having regard to the Commission decision of 30 November 2007 on the exercise of powers conferred by the Staff Regulations on the appointing authority and by the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants on the authority responsible for concluding contracts of employment,

After consulting the Staff Committee and the Steering Committee for the External Service,

Whereas:

- (1) Account should be taken of the examination by the relevant Commission departments of the results of the questionnaire on living conditions completed by the delegations, the ratings of the United Nations system of hardship allowances and other information available.
- (2) Account should be taken of the technical group's proposal of 13 October 2008 concerning the Appointing Authority's revision of the living conditions allowance applicable from 1 January 2009.

Increasing the living conditions allowance for :

- Angola (Luanda) and Haiti (Port-au-Prince) : from 35 to 40%
- Honduras (Tegucigalpa) : from 25 to 30%
- Armenia (Erevan) and El Salvador (San Salvador) : from 20 to 25%

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- Paraguay (Asuncion) : from 15 to 20%

Reducing the living conditions allowance for :

- Congo (Brazzaville) : from 35 to 30%
- Mozambique (Maputo) and Zambia (Lusaka) : from 30 to 25%)
- Surinam (Paramaribo) : from 25 to 20%)
- Serbia (Beograd) : from 20 to 15%
- Morocco (Rabat) and Namibia (Windhoek) : from 15 to 10%)

THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Officials, temporary staff and contract staff of the European Communities assigned to postings outside the European Union shall be paid a living-conditions allowance at the rate specified for their place of employment in the Annex.

This decision repeals and replaces that of 9 January 2008.

Done at Brussels, 17 March 2009

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[Signed]

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