



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS  
THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

Brussels, 15 February 2010  
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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 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 Steering Committee for the External Service and the political secretaries of the trade unions and staff associations,

Whereas:

- (1) The Appointing Authority should, exceptionally, grant rest leave for officials, temporary staff and contract staff of the European Communities serving in places of employment outside the European Union where living conditions are particularly difficult.
  
- (2) The places of employment conferring entitlement to exceptional rest leave have been identified on the basis of the parameters used to fix the living-conditions allowance,

**THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY  
HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:**

With effect from 1 January 2010, officials, temporary staff and contract staff of the European Communities serving outside the European Union are granted rest leave for 2010 on the basis of the parameters used to fix the living conditions allowance as follows:

- 11 LCA points = 6 working days over a maximum of 2 periods
- 12 LCA points = 9 working days over a maximum of 3 periods
- 13/14 LCA points = 12 working days over a maximum of 4 periods
- 15/16 LCA points = 15 working days over a maximum of 5 periods.

This decision repeals and replaces that of 17 March 2009.

Done at Brussels, 15 February 2010

[Signed]

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