## **COMMISSION DECISION**

## of 20 November 2003

## adjusting the weightings applicable from 1 February, 1 March, 1 April, 1 May and 1 June 2003 to the remuneration of officials of the European Communities serving in third countries

(2003/820/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

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 (1), as last amended by Regulation (EC, ECSC, Euratom) No 2265/2002 (2), and in particular the second paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X thereto,

Whereas:

- Pursuant to the first paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X (1)to the Staff Regulations, Council Regulation (EC, ECSC, Euratom) No 1338/2003 (3) laid down the weightings to be applied from 1 January 2003 to the remuneration of officials serving in third countries, payable in the currency of their country of employment.
- (2) The Commission has made a number of adjustments to these weightings (4) in recent months, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 13 of Annex X to the Staff Regulations.
- Some of these weightings should be adjusted with effect (3) from 1 February, 1 March, 1 April, 1 May and 1 June 2003 given that the statistics available to the Commission show that in certain third countries the variation in

the cost of living measured on the basis of the weighting and the corresponding exchange rate has exceeded 5 % since weightings were last laid down or adjusted,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

## Sole Article

With effect from 1 February, 1 March, 1 April, 1 May and 1 June 2003 the weightings applicable to the remuneration of officials serving in third countries payable in the currency of their country of employment are adjusted 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 dates referred to in the first paragraph.

Done at Brussels, 20 November 2003.

For the Commission Christopher PATTEN Member of the Commission

 <sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>)
 OJ L 56, 4.3.1968, p. 1.

 (<sup>2</sup>)
 OJ L 347, 20.12.2002, p. 1.

 (<sup>3</sup>)
 OJ L 189, 29.7.2003, p. 1.

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 152, 20.6.2003, p. 84.

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ANNEX
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Place of employment	Weightings February 2003
Czech Republic	80,2
Haiti	72,0
Papua New Guinea	68,7
Turkey	83,8

	Place of employment	Weightings March 2003
Angola		115,7
Haiti		70,1

Place of employment	Weightings April 2003
Angola	114,1
Democratic Republic of the Congo	139,4
Dominican Republic	57,8
Haiti	66,8
Sierra Leone	81,4
Venezuela	67,0

Place of employment	Weightings May 2003
Angola	117,8
Haiti	74,8

Place of employment	Weightings June 2003
Angola	116,4
Bulgaria	72,2
Democratic Republic of the Congo	143,9
Ethiopia	73,7
Haiti	81,3
Malawi	85,5
Paraguay	59,7
The Gambia	39,5
Uruguay	61,8
Venezuela	70,3