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TO: Recipients of Post Adjustment
Classification Memo

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THROUGH: Mr. Kingston P. Rhodes
Chairman, ICSC

FROM: Ibrahim S. Yansaneh
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SUBJECT: **Post adjustment classification memo for October 2017**

1. I am pleased to send you the post adjustment multipliers for October 2017. Note that only duty stations with changes in post adjustment multipliers are listed.

Group I Duty Stations

2. The post adjustment multipliers, applicable to group I duty stations, as a result of the operation of the 0.5 per cent rule under conditions of currency depreciation/appreciation relative to the US dollar, with effect from 1 October 2017, are given in Table 1.

Table 1. Changes to post adjustment multipliers for group I duty stations due to the application of the 0.5 per cent rule – October 2017

| DUTY STATION | MULTIPLIER | DUTY STATION | MULTIPLIER |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Australia | 38.4 | Hungary | 24.7 |
| Austria | 48.0 | Iceland | 59.4 |
| Belgium | 48.1 | Ireland | 42.1 |
| Bulgaria | 24.1 | Italy, Brindisi | 35.4 |
| Canada, Montreal | 45.5 | Italy, Rome | 41.8 |
| Canada, Ottawa | 55.0 | Japan, Hiroshima | 52.6 |
| Canada, Toronto | 62.7 | Japan, Tokyo | 76.0 |
| China, Hong Kong (SAR) | 106.2 | Luxembourg | 49.1 |
| Cyprus | 21.5 | Malta | 38.3 |
| Czech Republic | 37.1 | Monaco | 52.1 |
| Denmark | 58.7 | Netherlands | 40.1 |
| Finland | 45.8 | Norway | 48.2 |
| France, Lyon and Elsewhere | 48.6 | Poland | 20.1 |
| France, Paris | 52.1 | Portugal, Lisbon | 33.2 |
| French Guiana | 43.2 | Portugal, Guimaraes | 9.4 |
| Germany, Berlin | 37.9 | Romania | 7.0 |
| Germany, Bonn | 33.9 | Slovak Republic | 27.5 |
| Germany, Dresden | 33.9 | Slovenia, Republic of | 23.8 |
| Germany, Hamburg | 35.9 | Spain | 34.6 |
| Germany, Munich | 41.8 | Sweden | 45.1 |
| Gibraltar | 67.6 | Switzerland | 76.6 |
| Greece | 27.2 | United Kingdom | 67.6 |

Group II duty stations

3. The post adjustment multipliers based on the results of the most recent cost-of-living survey for group II duty stations with effect from 1 October 2017 are listed in Table 2.

Table 2. Changes to post adjustment multiplier as a result of a cost-of-living survey - October 2017

| DUTY STATION | MULTIPLIER |
|---------------|------------|
| Argentina | 41.1 |
| Cameroon | 34.0 |
| Côte d'Ivoire | 43.6 |
| Jamaica | 42.8 |
| Madagascar | 33.6 |
| Montenegro | 18.7 |
| Samoa | 43.0 |

4. Cost-of-living survey results did not trigger a change in multiplier for Albania, Burkina Faso, Haiti, Honduras, Malawi and Mauritius.

5. New multipliers have been established for the duty stations listed in Table 3, effective 1 October 2017.

Table 3. Summary of duty stations with new multipliers - October 2017

| DUTY STATION | MULTIPLIER |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Anguilla | 53.2 |
| Dominica | 53.2 |
| Grenada | 53.2 |
| St. Vincent and the Grenadines | 53.2 |

6. The personal transitional allowance (PTA) has been revised for Rwanda, effective 1 October 2017, as listed in Table 4 below. The next revision is scheduled for **January 2018**.

Table 4: Revised personal transitional allowance effective 1 October 2017

| DUTY STATION | PTA |
|--------------|-----|
| Rwanda | 2.6 |

7. The waiver of the 40 per cent of rent limit on rental subsidies **is no longer applicable** for **Argentina, Jamaica, Madagascar** and **Malawi** effective 1 October 2017.

8. The waiver of the 40 per cent of rent limit on rental subsidies **is applicable for Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Bonaire, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines** effective 1 October 2017.

9. Based on the most recent cost-of-living survey results, the revised applicable rental subsidy thresholds effective 1 October 2017, are listed in Table 5 below.

Table 5. Group II duty stations with revised rental subsidy thresholds

| DUTY STATION | RENTAL SUBSIDY THRESHOLDS (PER CENT) | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| | With Spouse/Single Parent Allowance | <u>Without</u> Spouse/Single Parent Allowance |
| Anguilla | 23 | 24 |
| Antigua and Barbuda | 23 | 24 |
| Argentina | 22 | 23 |
| Bonaire | 23 | 24 |
| Dominica | 23 | 24 |
| Grenada | 23 | 24 |
| Jamaica | 24 | 25 |
| Madagascar | 21 | 22 |
| Samoa | 15 | 16 |
| St. Kitts and Nevis | 23 | 24 |
| St. Vincent and the Grenadines | 23 | 24 |

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