

REVISING THE MFA INDICES ON OVERSEAS AND LIVING QUARTERS ALLOWANCES OF FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 723, August 27, 1981

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WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1285 establishes the Foreign Service Compensation Plan for staff members of the National Government who are stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Letter of Implementation No. 63 provides the necessary rules and regulations to be observed in the payment of compensation for personnel of the National Government stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Section 4.3.2 of the aforesaid Letter of Implementation No. 63 authorizes the Permanent Committee created for the purpose of PD No. 1285 to recommend to the President such adjustment in the MFA Index as may be warranted by changes in the exchange rates and price levels in the affected posts of assignment;

WHEREAS, in view of the continuing world-wide serious increase in price level and decline in the purchasing power of the United States dollar against certain currencies, the officers and employees of the Philippine Foreign Service have been experiencing financial difficulties;

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the officers and employees of the Philippine Foreign Service be provided with adequate financial means to be able not only to protect and advance the country's interests abroad efficiently and effectively but also to represent the country in a manner worthy of the esteem and respect of the country to which they are assigned and accredited;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby ordain the recommended revision of the Permanent Committee of the MFA Indices contained in Letter of Implementation No. 95, as follows:

Country and Post

Overseas allowance

Living Quarter

allowance

From

To

From

To

Afghanistan, Kabul

120%

160%

130%

140%

Argentina, Buenos Aires

140%

255%

140%

250%

Australia, Canberra

140%

180%

160%

180%

Melbourne

140%

180%

140%

180%

Sydney

140%

180%

160%

180%

Austria, Vienna

185%

240%

185%

220%

Bahrain, Manama

200%

235%

200%

250%

Bangladesh, Dacca

170%

110%

Belgium, Brussels

185%

220%

185%

220%

Brazil, Brasilia

150%

160%

160%

230%

Bulgaria, Sofia

130%

160%

130%

150%

Burma, Rangoon

90%

140%

80%

100%

Canada, Ottawa

135%

160%

140%

170%

Toronto

135%

160%

140%

170%

Vancouver

135%

160%

140%

170%

Cuba, Havana

190%

160%

Chile, Santiago

180%

150%

Egypt, Cairo

110%

150%

130%

190%

Federal Republic of Germany, Bad Godesberg

235%

245%

235%

240%

Hamburg

235%

245%

235%

240%

France, Paris

195%

245%

185%

230%

Gabon, Libreville

180%

270%

180%

190%

German Democratic Republic, East Berlin

235%

245%

235%

240%

Greece, Athens

145%

200%

130%

220%

Hongkong

140%

160%

150%

270%

India, New Delhi

110%

140%

110%

130%

Indonesia, Djakarta

130%

180%

140%

170%

Menado

100%

120%

90%

110%

Tarakan

95%

120%

90%

110%

Iran, Tehran

140%

180%

160%

250%

Iraq, Bagdad

150%

190%

140%

250%

Israel, Tel Aviv

140%

180%

160%

190%

Italy, Rome (Holy Sea)

150%

190%

150%

200%

Japan, Kobe

270%

270%

270%

270%

Tokyo

270%

270%

270%

270%

Jordan, Amman

245%

350%

Kenya, Nairobi

120%

170%

140%

170%

Korea, South Seoul

120%

200%

130%

160%

Kuwait, Kuwait

200%

245%

200%

350%

Laos, Vientianne

130%

150%

80%

100%

Lebanon, Beirut

200%

180%

Libya, Tripoli

180%

270%

160%

350%

Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur

125%

160%

135%

155%

Mexico, Mexico

130%

140%

130%

200%

Morocco, Rabat

140%

210%

140%

220%

Netherlands, The Hague

185%

230%

185%

220%

New Zealand, Wellington

135%

160%

135%

170%

Nigeria, Lagos

160%

250%

140%

160%

Norway, Oslo

230%

200%

Pakistan, Islamabad

110%

150%

120%

130%

Papua NG, Port Moresby

130%

180%

140%

160%

Peoples Republic of China, Peking

130%

150%

120%

160%

Poland, Warsaw

150%

160%

Romania, Bucharest

120%

150%

130%

160%

Saudi Arabia, Jeddah

160%

245%

170%

350%

Senegal, Dakar

160%

230%

150%

250%

Singapore, Singapore

130%

160%

135%

200%

Spain, Madrid

150%

190%

140%

200%

Sri Lanka, Colombo

100%

140%

110%

120%

Sudan, Khartoum

200%

200%

Sweden, Stockholm

185%

240%

185%

220%

Switzerland, Berne

225%

270%

235%

240%

Geneva

235%

270%

235%

240%

Syria, Damascus

220%

350%

Taiwan, Taipei

120%

150%

120%

140%

Thailand, Bangkok

120%

160%

125%

145%

USSR, Moscow

150%

200%

145%

200%

U.A.E. Abu Dhabi

200%

245%

200%

350%

United Kingdom, London

185%

240%

185%

240%

United States, Agana

130%

155%

140%

160%

San Francisco

130%

160%

140%

190%

Los Angeles

130%

160%

140%

190%

Seattle

130%

160%

135%

190%

Houston

130%

170%

140%

190%

Chicago

140%

175%

145%

200%

New Orleans

130%

160%

135%

185%

Honolulu

135%

175%

135%

190%

New York

140%

175%

150%

200%

Washington

140%

175%

150%

200%

Venezuela, Caracas

180%

220%

180%

230%

Vietnam, Hanoi

115%

140%

110%

130%

Yugoslavia, Belgrade

140%

170%

160%

180%

The amount to cover the adjustment of the overseas and living quarters allowances of the personnel of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs who are stationed abroad shall be taken from the P20 Million appropriated for the purpose in the CY 1981 General Appropriations Act, net of reserves. The amount to cover the adjustment of the same allowances of Service Attaches shall be from the programmed expenditures for CY 1981 of agencies concerned, net of reserves.

This Order shall take effect on April 1, 1981.

Done in the City of Manila, this 27th day of August in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-one.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) JUAN C. TUVERA

Presidential Executive Assistant

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