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Administrative instruction amending administrative instruction ST/AI/2000/8

Dependency status and dependency benefits

Pursuant to section 4.2 of Secretary-General's bulletin ST/SGB/1997/1, the Under-Secretary-General for Management amends as follows administrative instruction ST/AI/2000/8, entitled "Dependency status and dependency benefits".

Section 2.1 is replaced by the following text:

"2.1 A spouse shall be recognized as a dependant when the following conditions are met:

(a) For staff members in the General Service and related categories, the spouse's annual gross occupational earnings, if any, do not exceed the lowest entry level of the United Nations General Service gross salary scale in force on 1 January of the year concerned for the closest United Nations duty station in the country of the spouse's place of work;

(b) For staff members in the Professional category and above, technical cooperation project personnel and staff members in the Field Service category, the spouse's annual gross occupational earnings, if any, do not exceed the higher of:

- (i) The amount determined under section 2.1 (a); or
- (ii) The gross salary for the lowest entry level in force on 1 January of the year concerned at the base of the salary system (G-2, step 1, for New York);

(c) The spouse of a staff member who is legally separated may be recognized as a dependant only upon submission of satisfactory evidence of financial support by the staff member."

Section 5.1 is replaced by the following text:

"5.1 A secondary dependant shall be the father, mother, brother or sister of whose financial support the staff member provides one half or more, and in any case, at least twice the amount of the dependency allowance. Pension income, such as retirement and disability benefits, and income resulting solely from investments shall not be included in the computation of the overall financial support of a staff member's secondary dependant. If the secondary



dependant is a brother or sister, he or she must also fulfil the age and school attendance requirements for a dependent child set out in section 3.1, unless the brother or sister is recognized as disabled in accordance with section 4.1.”

The present instruction shall enter into force on 1 May 2007.

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