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Information Circular* No.7

Subject: **Official Holidays for 2018 at the United Nations Office at Geneva**

1. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 52/214 A and decision 52/468, the official holidays for 2018 at the United Nations Office at Geneva have been designated as follows:

1 January	New Year's Day	Monday
30 March	Good Friday	Friday
2 April	Easter Monday	Monday
21 May	Whit Monday	Monday
15 June	Eid Al-Fitr	Friday
1 August	Swiss National Day	Wednesday
21 August	Eid al-Adha	Tuesday
6 September	Jeûne genevois	Thursday
25 December	Christmas Day	Tuesday

2. The General Assembly, in its resolution 69/250, recognized the significance of a number of other holidays. Accordingly, in the interest of respecting the diversity of the staff of the United Nations, staff members are given the option of observing one floating holiday of their choice, which should be chosen from the list below:

8 January	Orthodox Christmas	Monday
30 April	Day of Vesak	Monday
10 May	Ascension Day	Thursday
17 September	Jeûne fédéral	Monday
19 September	Yom Kippur	Wednesday
7 November	Diwali	Wednesday
23 November	Gurpurab	Friday

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3. For planning and technical reasons, staff members should inform their supervisors before 31 January 2018 of the floating holiday they wish to observe. Managers are to respect the floating holiday chosen by the staff member. If, owing to exigencies of service, a staff member in the General Service and related categories is required to report for work on the date chosen as the floating holiday, the staff member will be recorded as having taken the floating holiday and compensated for overtime worked on an official holiday. Staff in the Professional and higher categories who are required to work on the date chosen as the floating holiday may choose to observe another day as a floating holiday.

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