

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S BULLETIN NO. 79

To: Members of the Staff of the United Nations

Subject: EMPLOYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY

1. Close relatives of staff members will not be appointed to Secretariat posts except in extraordinary cases where Administrative and Financial Services is satisfied that it cannot recruit another equally well-qualified candidate.
2. The term "close relative" will include husbands and wives and persons bearing any of the following relationships by blood or marriage: father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister.
3. Where close relatives (as defined above) are on the staff, the following rules will apply:
 - (a) Normally, only one may receive an indeterminate appointment.
 - (b) Closely related staff members may not serve in the same Department if one is in a post subordinate to the other in the line of authority.
4. Where two staff members marry, their appointment status shall not be affected, except that provisions of 3(a) above shall apply to the subsequent granting of indeterminate appointments.
5. Exceptions to the general provisions of this Bulletin may be authorized by the Bureau of Personnel when special circumstances warrant.

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