

Secretariat

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## INFORMATION CIRCULAR

To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: MOBILITY AND HARDSHIP ALLOWANCE

1. The purpose of this circular is to inform staff of changes effected to the mobility and hardship allowance by the General Assembly in section VI of its resolution 51/216 of 18 December 1996, on the recommendation of the International Civil Service Commission.<sup>1</sup>

2. By that resolution, the General Assembly introduced, as of 1 January 1997, a time limit on payment of the non-removal element of the mobility and hardship allowance, which is payable in lieu of removal of household goods to the duty station. The non-removal element shall normally be payable for a period of up to five years at one duty station, to be extended for up to seven years on an exceptional basis.

3. Staff rule 103.22 and administrative instruction ST/AI/363 on mobility and hardship allowance will be amended accordingly.

<u>Notes</u>

<sup>1</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/51/30), para. 304 (g).

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