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**INFORMATION CIRCULAR No. 60**

**Subject: Eid Al-Fitr Holiday, 17 December 2001**

1. In conformity with the provisions of Appendix B of the Staff Rules applicable to the United Nations Office at Geneva and staff rule 101.3 (b), and as indicated in Information Circular IC/Geneva/4624 of 16 November 2000, Monday, 17 December 2001 - Eid Al-Fitr observance - will be an official holiday.
2. The following services will be closed on Monday, 17 December 2001:
  - The Library
  - The Joint Medical Service
  - The Post Office
  - The Cafeteria, bars and restaurant
  - United Bank of Switzerland (UBS)
  - The Carlson Wagonlit travel agency
  - The United Nations Postal Administration counter (door 6)
  - Naville's news-stands (doors 6 and 41)
  - The United Nations bookshops (door 40)
  - The Purchase and Order Group of International Civil Servants (SAFI)
  - The Thrift and Credit Union (MEC)
  - The Provident and Insurance Group of International Officials (GPAFI)
  - The Philatelic Museum
3. The Visitor's Service will be closed.

4. Access to the Palais des Nations

Motorists and pedestrians will have access to the Palais via the Pregny gate, which will remain open at all times.

Pedestrians in possession of a magnetic card will be able to use the following entrances:

- (i) The turnstile next to the Place des Nations gate;
- (ii) The gate in the railings under the arch;
- (iii) All entrance doors equipped with a magnetic card reader. Staff members are reminded that, as usual, access to the Palais via door 23 will not be possible from midnight to 6 a.m.

Staff members without magnetic cards are requested to use the Pregny gate. They may enter and leave buildings through remote-control access doors by calling the Security Operations and Control Centre on the intercom next to these doors in order to have them opened (ext. 72900).

A reduced security team will be on duty at the following points:

(i) Palais des Nations

At the Security Operations and Control Centre (ext. 72900 or 72902) and the Pregny Gate.

(ii) UNHCR building (94 rue de Montbrillant)

In the main entrance hall (tel. 739 78 00).

(iii) Palais Wilson

At the entrance (tel. 907 93 53).

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