



**Secretariat**

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**INFORMATION CIRCULAR No. 59**

**Subject: Eid Al-Fitr Holiday, 12 November 2004**

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/2003/63 of 16 December 2003, Friday, 12 November 2004 - Eid Al-Fitr observance - will be an official holiday.
2. The following services will be closed on Friday, 12 November 2004:
  - The Library
  - The Joint Medical Service
  - The Post Office
  - The Cafeteria, bars and restaurant
  - United Bank of Switzerland (UBS)
  - The Carlson Wagonlit travel agency
  - Naville's news-stands (doors 6 and 41)
  - 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 United Nations Postal Administration counter (door 6)
3. The Visitor's Service will be closed, except to groups with reservations.
4. The United Nations bookshop (door 39) will also be closed.

5. 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.

The Chemin de Fer and Bocage gates will be closed.

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. The metal shutter on door 23 will, as usual, be closed 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).

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

Palais des Nations

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

UNHCR building (94 rue de Montbrillant)

In the main entrance hall (tel. 022 739 78 00)

Palais Wilson

At the entrance (tel. 022 917 93 53).

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