International Civil Service Commission/Human Resources Policies Division

Four-week Rest and Recuperation cycle

According to General Assembly resolution, the four-week travel cycle is outside the rest and recuperation framework. However, for very exceptional cases, a four week cycle may be approved by the Chairman of the ICSC.

After careful review and in consultation with the Department of Safety and Security (DSS), the ICSC Chairman has approved the following duty stations for a four-week rest and recuperation cycle effective 1 October 2017:

- a) **Iraq** Al-Shirqat, Baghdad, Baiji, Fallujah, Kalar, Khanaqin, Kirkuk, Makhmur, Mosul, Qayyarah, Tikrit, and Zummar;
- b) Mali Gao, Kidal, Menaka, Tessalit and Tombouctou;
- c) **Somalia** Baidao, Baledogle, Belet Uen, Boosaaso (Bender Cassim), Buale, Dhobley, Dolow, Dhusamareeb, Galkacyo, Garowe, Jowhar, Kisimaio, Merca/Shalambot, Mogadiscio, and Wajid;
- d) **Syria** Al Nabek, Aleppo, Ar Raqqa, Damascus (Camp Faouar), Daraa, Deir-ez-Zor, Hamah, Hassake (Al-Hasakah), Homs, Idlib, Lattakia, Qamishli, and Tartous;
- e) **Yemen** Aden, Hodeidah, Ibb, Sa'ada and Sana'a.

The Commission at its seventy-fifth session decided that the locations approved for the four-week cycle will be reviewed every three months (ref. A/67/30, para 231(b). The locations listed in paragraph three above will therefore be reviewed again in December 2017.