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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/65/646)]

### **65/258. Conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials: members of the International Court of Justice and judges and ad litem judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 37/240 of 21 December 1982, 40/257 A and C of 18 December 1985 and 45/250 A to C of 21 December 1990, section VIII of its resolution 53/214 of 18 December 1998, its resolutions 55/249 of 12 April 2001, 56/285 of 27 June 2002 and 57/289 of 20 December 2002, section III of its resolution 59/282 of 13 April 2005, its resolutions 61/262 of 4 April 2007, 63/259 of 24 December 2008 and 64/261 of 29 March 2010 and its decision 62/547 of 3 April 2008,

*Recalling also* Article 32 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, as well as relevant resolutions of the General Assembly that govern the conditions of service and compensation for the members of the International Court of Justice and the judges of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 and the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General<sup>1</sup> and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup>

*Noting* that the workload of the President of the International Court of Justice and that of the Vice-President, when acting as President, have increased since 1987

<sup>1</sup> A/64/635 and Corr.1 and A/65/134 and Corr.1.

<sup>2</sup> A/64/7/Add.20 (for the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 7A*) and A/65/533.



and that the amounts of the special allowance of the President and of the Vice-President, when acting as President, have not increased since then,

*Noting also* that the workload of the Presidents of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and that of the Vice-Presidents, when acting as President, have increased since the inception of the Tribunals and that the amounts of the special allowance of the Presidents and of the Vice-Presidents, when acting as President, have not increased since then,

*Reaffirming* that ad litem judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia benefit from the same terms and conditions of service, mutatis mutandis, as those of the permanent judges of the Tribunals, pursuant to the statutes of the Tribunals,

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General;<sup>1</sup>
2. *Reaffirms* the principle that the conditions of service and compensation for non-Secretariat United Nations officials shall be separate and distinct from those for officials of the Secretariat;
3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>3</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;
4. *Takes note* that the review of the pension benefits of the members of the International Court of Justice and the judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda will take place at its sixty-sixth session, including options for defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes;
5. *Decides* to review at its sixty-sixth session the pension schemes for the members of the International Court of Justice and the judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, and requests the Secretary-General to include in his report a proposal for a mechanism that he may use to determine retirement pension benefits, taking into account acquired pension benefit rights accrued prior to serving in the Court or the Tribunals;
6. *Also decides* to increase the special allowance of the Presidents and that of the Vice-Presidents, when acting as President of the Court or the Tribunals, to 25,000 United States dollars per year and 156 dollars per day, respectively;
7. *Further decides* that the relocation allowance benefit received by the judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda shall be the same as that received by the members of the International Court of Justice;
8. *Decides* to grant a one-time ex gratia payment upon completion of service for ad litem judges who have served for a continuous period of more than three years, on the basis of the length of time served exceeding those three years, as per the schedule contained in annex to the present resolution;
9. *Also decides* that, owing to the unique and exceptional circumstances of the conditions of service of ad litem judges in the International Criminal Tribunal

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<sup>3</sup> A/65/533.

for Rwanda, arising from the failure to establish a second pool of ad litem judges, the decision set out in paragraph 8 above shall under no circumstances constitute a precedent for eligibility for elements of conditions of service, as such eligibility does not exist under the current regulatory framework;

10. *Further decides* to re-establish a three-year cycle for the review of the conditions of service and compensation for the members of the International Court of Justice and the judges and ad litem judges of the two Tribunals, and to undertake the next comprehensive review at its sixty-eighth session.

*73rd plenary meeting  
24 December 2010*

## **Annex**

### **One-time ex gratia payment schedule for ad litem judges of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia**

<i>Term of service (years)</i>	<i>Months of salary</i>
< 3.....	0.000000
4.....	2.054112
5.....	4.108225
6.....	6.162337
7.....	8.216449
8.....	10.270562

*Note:* Payment is prorated by number of months.