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### INFORMATION CIRCULAR

To: Members of the staff

From: The Controller

Subject: GROUP LIFE INSURANCE - WAIVER OF AUTOMATIC INCREASE\*

### INTRODUCTION

1. The insurance coverage under the Aetna group life insurance plan is adjusted once a year in accordance with increases in the pensionable remuneration of each participant. The adjustment for 1992 will be made with effect from 1 July and will take into account any increases in the pensionable remuneration of a participant implemented since 1 July 1991 and which may be implemented between the date of the present circular and 1 July 1992.

2. Consequently, all participants in the plan, other than those who have previously signed a waiver of automatic increase, are reminded that, if their pensionable remuneration as at 1 July 1992 places them in a higher insurance bracket, their coverage will automatically be increased as of that date unless they execute the waiver set out in annex I to the present circular.

## I. EFFECT OF THE WAIVER

3. In signing the waiver of automatic increase form, a participant is choosing to retain his or her group life insurance coverage (and the corresponding payroll deduction for premium) at the level in effect at 30 June 1992. The waiver thus freezes the participant's coverage at that amount indefinitely unless the participant decides at some time in the future to apply for the higher amount of coverage based on his or her pensionable remuneration at the time of application. At the time of such application for

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higher coverage, the participant will be REQUIRED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY satisfactory to the insurance company. For its part, the insurance company reserves the right to reject any such application and may require the applicant to undergo a medical examination at the applicant's own expense.

4. In making the decision to waive the automatic increase or not, staff members may wish to check the current level of their pensionable remuneration by reviewing their April pay statement in conjunction with the life insurance brackets set out in annex II to the present circular.

## II. WAIVER FORM

5. The waiver form set out in annex I may be detached or photocopied as necessary. Participants who wish to waive any future automatic increase in life insurance coverage should sign and return the completed waiver form to room S-1826, Payroll Unit, Accounts Division, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance (or, if payrolled outside Headquarters, to the appropriate finance section) NO LATER THAN 1 JULY 1992. A copy of the executed waiver form should also be sent by the participant to the Insurance Section, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance, room S-2765. It should be borne in mind that the sooner the waiver form is submitted, the sooner the necessary adjustments can be reflected in the pay statement.

### III. DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

6. Staff members are reminded to review their designation of beneficiaries in respect of their group life insurance coverage. Changes in the designation of beneficiaries may be made at any time and special forms for this purpose may be obtained from the Insurance Section, room S-2765, extension 3-5806, at Headquarters. Staff members serving away from Headquarters may obtain these forms from their respective administrative officers.

7. For additional information on group life insurance, please contact the Insurance Section, room S-2765.

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#### <u>Annex I</u>

#### WAIVER OF AUTOMATIC INCREASE

Date:

To: Payroll Unit, room S-1826 (or, if payrolled outside Headquarters, to the appropriate finance section)

#### Subject: GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

GROUP POLICY NUMBERS GL-14008 AND GC-14008-A

1. I hereby certify that I have been given an opportunity to avail myself of the increased group life insurance benefits as offered by the United Nations in information circular ST/IC/1992/32 and have decided not to take advantage of the offer. I request, therefore, that my life insurance coverages under the subject group policies be maintained at their 30 June 1992 levels.

2. I understand that in order to obtain increased insurance in the future, I will be REQUIRED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY satisfactory to the insurance company and may be required to undergo a medical examination at my own expense. I further understand that the company reserves the right to reject my application for such an increase.

Witness

Signature of staff member

Print or type name in full

Print or type name in full

Payroll index number

Duty station

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# <u>Annex II</u>

#### LIFE INSURANCE BRACKETS

	5					Maximum								
<u>Annual</u>						<u>accidental death</u>								
	pensionable					Life			and dismemberment			Monthly		
	remuneration					<u>insurance</u>			insurance			payroll premium		
	\$				\$			\$			\$			
					3									
Les	ss t	han	2	000		3	000		3	000		0.	84	
2	001	to	4	000		6	000		6	000		1.	68	
4	001	to	б	000		10	000		10	000		2.	80	
6	001	to	8	000		14	000		14	000		3.	92	
8	001	to	10	000		18	000		18	000		5.	04	
10	001	to	12	000		22	000		22	000		б.	16	
12	001	to	14	000		26	000		26	000		7.	28	
14	001	to	16	000		30	000		30	000		8.	40	
16	001	to	18	000		34	000		34	000		9.	52	
18	001	to	20	000		38	000		38	000		10.	64	
20	001	to	22	500		42	500		42	500		11.	90	
22	501	to	25	000		47	500		47	500		13.	30	
25	001	to	27	500		52	500		52	500		14.	70	
27	501	to	30	000		57	500		57	500		16.	10	
30	001	to	32	500		65	000		65	000		18.	20	
32	501	to	35	000		70	000		70	000		19.	60	
35	001	to	37	500		75	000		75	000		21.	00	
37	501	to	40	000		80	000		80	000		22.	40	
40	001	to	42	500		85	000		85	000		23.	80	
42	501	to	45	000		90	000			000		25.	20	
45	001	to	47	500		95	000		95	000		26.	60	
47	501	to	50	000		100	000		100	000		28.	00	
50	001	to	52	500		105	000			000		29.	40	
52	501	to	55	000		110	000	<i>e</i> -	110	000		30.	80	
55	001	to	57	500		115	000		115	000		32.	20	
57	501	to	60	000			000			000		33.	60	
60	001	to	62	500		125	000		125	000		35.	00	
62	501	and	ove	er		130	000		130	000		36.	40	

<u>Note</u>: (1) Coverage for staff members entering the plan at age 60 or later will continue to be restricted to \$7,000 group life insurance, plus a similar amount of accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

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(2) Coverage for staff members whose life insurance exceeds \$58,500 will be automatically reduced to that level on 1 July next following attainment of age 62, plus a similar amount of accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

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