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**Revision of Remuneration of Non-official Members of
Boards and Committees**

Financial Circular (FC) No. 7/2000 reminds bureaux and departments of the principles and guidelines for remunerating non-official members of boards and committees set up by the Government. It also sets out the **maximum** rate of remuneration which can be approved administratively. The maximum rate is adjusted in accordance with the movement of the Consumer Price Index (C) (CPI(C)). This rate is at present \$720 per member per attendance.

2. Having regard to the movement of CPI (C) between April 2007 (104.0) and April 2008 (109.5), approval is given for the upward adjustment of this **maximum** rate of remuneration by \$40 to **\$760** per member per attendance with effect from **1 August 2008**. Accordingly, Controlling Officers may adjust the remuneration of those non-officials receiving the maximum rate of remuneration to \$760 per member per attendance from 1 August 2008 onwards.

3. Where the current remuneration rates are below \$720 per member per attendance, Controlling Officers may exercise discretion on whether to make similar adjustment to these rates according to CPI(C) movement.

4. The revision in paragraph 2 above applies only to remuneration approved administratively under FC No. 7/2000 and paid out from the General Revenue Account. It does not apply to remuneration above the ceiling and approved by the Finance Committee or by a designated public officer under the respective legislation. Controlling Officers should also ensure that there is a continued need to remunerate non-official members of Government boards and committees concerned.

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for Secretary for Financial Services
and the Treasury