



Secretariat

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Information circular


To: Members of the staff
From: The Secretary-General
Subject: **Official holidays for 2026 at the International Seabed Authority**

1. The purpose of the present circular is to inform the staff that the official holidays for 2026 have been designated as follows:

New Year's Day	Thursday, 1 January
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, 18 February
Eid al-Fitr	Friday, 20 March
Good Friday	Friday, 3 April
Easter Monday	Monday, 6 April
Eid al-Adha	Wednesday, 27 May
Independence Day	Thursday, 6 August
National Heroes' Day	Monday, 19 October
Christmas Day	Friday, 25 December
Boxing Day	Monday, 28 December*

2. This list reflects the practice followed by all United Nations Common System organizations in Kingston, making it mandatory to observe the two Muslim holidays, Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha. Staff wishing to observe additional national, local, or religious holidays, as in previous years, are encouraged to do so and, in general, should be permitted by their supervisors to take annual leave

3. Staff at the Office of the Permanent Observer for the International Seabed Authority to the United Nations in New York will observe the official United Nations holidays designated for 2026 at UN Headquarters.


(Signed) Leticia Carvalho
Secretary-General

* Boxing day falls on Saturday, 26 December, but will be observed on Monday, 28 December 2026.