

**Law 16/2009
of 23 December**

**Up-date on remunerations of Judicial Magistrates, Public Prosecution
Magistrates and Public Defense Officers**

Explanatory Statement

Considering the recent approval of the Remuneratory Statute of Judicial Magistrates, Public Prosecution Magistrates and Public Defense Officers by Law No. 10/2009 of 5 August, and in furtherance of the statutes of the respective careers, the need arises to address the situations created by the fact that the definitive appointments of the current holders of the different categories took place before the approval of that Statute.

Thus,

Pursuant to subparagraph k), paragraph 2, and paragraph 1, of article 95 of the Constitution of the Republic, the Parliament enacts the following to have the force of a law:

**TITLE
REMUNERATION OF MAGISTRATES AND PUBLIC DEFENDERS**

Article 1

The base salary established by Law No. 10/2009 of 5 August for the categories of 3rd class judicial magistrates, 3rd class public prosecutors and 3rd class Public Defenders applies to the current holders of these categories from the date of their entering into office upon deducting what they have already received from that date.

Article 2

The present law shall enter into force on the day immediately after its publication in the Official Gazette and shall be valid retroactively from 21 June 2007.

Approved on 9 December 2009

The Speaker of the National Parliament

Fernando La Sama de Araújo

Promulgated on 15 December 2009

For publication,

The President of the Republic

Dr. José Manuel Ramos Horta