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IMMIGRATION

The Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015

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Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(2)

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5(1)(a) and (2)(a) and 6(6)(a), (b) and (c) of the UK Borders Act 2007(**a**).

In accordance with section 6(6)(e) of that Act, a draft of these Regulations was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Immigration (Biometric Registration) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015.

(2) This regulation and regulations 2 and 3 come into force at the end of the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which these Regulations are made, regulation 4 comes into force on 29th May 2015, and regulations 5 and 6 come into force on 31st July 2015.

(3) In these Regulations, "the 2008 Regulations" means the Immigration (Biometric Registration) Regulations 2008(**b**).

Amendment of the 2008 Regulations

2. The 2008 Regulations are amended as follows.

3. In the Schedule to the Regulations, at the appropriate places insert—

"Armenia";

"Bangladesh";

"Bhutan";

"Burma";

"Cambodia";

"China";

"Cyprus";

(**a**) 2007 c. 30; as amended by the Immigration Act 2014 (c. 22).
(**b**) S.I. 2008/3048, amended by S.I. 2009/819, S.I. 2012/594 and S.I. 2015/[ ].

“Denmark”;

“Estonia”;

“Finland”;

“Germany”;

“Gibraltar”;

“Iceland”;

“India”;

“Indonesia”;

“Italy”;

“Laos”;

“Libya”;

“Maldives”;

“Malta”;

“Nepal”;

“Netherlands”;

“North Korea”;

“Norway”;

“Portugal”;

“Republic of Ireland”;

“Spain”;

“Sri Lanka”;

“Sweden”;

“Thailand”; and

“Vietnam”.

4. In the Schedule to the Regulations, at the appropriate places insert—

“Afghanistan”;

“Ascension Island”;

“Australia”;

“Bahamas”;

“Bahrain”;

“Barbados”;

“Bermuda”;

“Brunei”;

“Canada”;

“Cayman Islands”;

“Dominican Republic”;

“Egypt”;

“Falkland Islands”;

“Fiji”;

“Guyana”

“Iran”;

“Jamaica”;

“Japan”;

"Malaysia";

"Mongolia";

"New Zealand";

"Nigeria";

"Oman";

"Papua New Guinea";

"Philippines";

"Qatar";

"St Helena";

"St Lucia";

"Singapore";

"South Korea";

"Taiwan";

"Trinidad and Tobago";

"United Arab Emirates";

"United States of America"; and

"Yemen".

5. In regulation 3A(2)(b) for "in a country or territory listed in the Schedule to these Regulations" substitute "outside the United Kingdom".

6. Omit regulation 20 of and the Schedule to the 2008 Regulations.

Home Office
Date

Name
Minister of State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Immigration (Biometric Registration) Regulations 2008 ("the 2008 Regulations"). Regulations 3 and 4 add countries and territories to those listed in the Schedule to the 2008 Regulations as those in which, if an applicant for entry clearance which has effect as leave to enter for a period in excess of six months or for an indefinite period enrols their biometric information, they are required to apply for a biometric immigration document. Regulations 5 and 6 extend the provisions of the 2008 Regulations so that all such applicants are required to apply for a biometric immigration document.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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