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Ministry of the Interior
General Directorate of the Immigration & Passports
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Ministerial Resolution
No 193 for 1999
Issued by Minister of Interior
Concerning Granting Residence Permits to Aliens
Sponsored by Individuals

The Minister of Interior

Having reviewed the Aliens Immigration and Residence Act for 1965 and amendments thereof,

The Ministerial Resolution No 319 for 1998 concerning fees for service provided by the General Directorate of the Immigration and Passports,

Letter No AH/AD/11/6035 dated 28/12/1996

And based on the submittals by of the Deputy Minister of Interior for Immigration and Passports Affairs

Decides:

Article (1)

A Residence Permit may be granted to a retired alien who had worked for the public or private sector for a period of not less than 15 years upon an application submitted by the concerned person on the form specified for this purpose along with all necessary documents.

Article (2)

To issue residence permit for an alien sponsored by an individual the following conditions should be met.

- A. The alien should be of good conduct
- B. Has a house in the Bahrain rented in his name

- C. Has a permanent deposit of not less than Five Thousand Dinars or equivalent as investment in banks, financial or economical institutions, licensed to work in Bahrain.
- D. Has a lawful source of living, to support himself and his dependants if available.
- E. The alien and his dependants should be in good health and covered by medical insurance.
- F. Any other conditions, considered necessary by the General Directorate of Immigration and Passports and serving public interest.

Article (3)

Applications for granting residence permits under personal sponsorship shall be submitted to the Department of Immigration for review and then shall be put together with comments to the Deputy Minister of Interior for Immigration and Passports Affairs for final decision.

Article (4)

A Residence permit under personal sponsorship shall be granted for a period not exceeding five years and may be renewed for a similar period or less as the case may be or in accordance with its purpose. The application for renewal shall be submitted on the form specified four weeks prior to expiry date of permit to the Department of Immigration,. Documents required shall be attached to form every time.

Article (5)

The wife of an alien who is residing under the sponsorship of an individual may be granted a residence permit without the right work upon the husband's request.

Article (6)

The General Directorate of Immigration and Passports shall collect 60 Dinars per year for issuance or renewal of residence permit under the sponsorship of an individual, for an alien or his wife.

Article (7)

An alien sponsored by an individual who has been granted a residence permit or his dependants, are not permitted to work neither in the public nor in the private sector.

Article (8)

An alien sponsored by an individual who has been granted a residence permit may enter the country or leave it without the need to obtain entry visa and shall stay in the country for a total period of six months at least in any given year.

Article (9)

A Residence permit under the sponsorship of an individual may be cancelled for the any of following reasons:

- a. If it was proved that the alien has obtained the residence permit on the grounds of false information or false documents.
- b. If he forfeits any of the conditions referred to in article (2) of this resolution.
- c. If his residence will undermine security, public order or public interest.
- d. If he takes up a job in the public or the private sector.
- e. If he violates any provision of this Resolution or does not comply with it, or with any other order or conditions or instructions imposed or issued under this resolution or under the Aliens Immigration and Residence Act for 1965 G.

Article (10)

If the term of the residence permit has expired or application for renewal is rejected the Director of Immigration Department may grant the alien and his dependants, if any, a period not exceeding three months from the date of expiry of his residence permit or rejection of renewal, to enable the alien to make his travel arrangements.

Article (11)

The Assistant Deputy Minister for Immigration and Passport Affairs shall implement this resolution as of date of its publication.

Minister of Interior