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The Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa presents its compliments to Diplomatic Missions and International Organisations accredited to the Republic of South Africa and has the honour to inform all Missions and International Organisations of the following administrative changes regarding diplomatic identity cards for the dependent children of members of the diplomatic community and updated information regarding the entry stamp requirements.

- No diplomatic identity cards will be issued to dependent children due to internal administrative changes.
- Diplomatic identity cards of dependent children will no longer be renewed upon expiry.
- Please note that all introduced domestic staff (private servants), even applicants from countries exempted from visa requirements, must be in possession of a valid entry visa clearly endorsed in the following manner:
Introduced domestic staff > to report to DIRCO within 14 days of arrival in the RSA for the purposes of diplomatic registration and accreditation.
- All incoming diplomats are requested to alert Immigration Officials at the Port of Entry that the purpose of stay in the Republic of South Africa is to take up a diplomatic posting since entry stamps indicating the purpose of stay in South Africa as “visitors” might cause delays when applying for the required Temporary Residence visa issued by DIRCO.

The Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Diplomatic Missions and International Organisations accredited in the Republic of South Africa the assurances of its highest consideration.



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