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BOARD OF INVESTMENT OF SRI LANKA

To all BOI approved Companies

Dear Sir/Madam

REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN ENGINEERING PRACTITIONERS AT ENGINEERING COUNCIL OF SRI LANKA PRIOR TO OBTAIN THE RESIDENCE VISA UNDER BOI APPROVED COMPANIES

We wish to inform that Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (BOI) had several rounds of discussions with the Engineering Council of Sri Lanka (ECSL) with a view to maintain a professional standard among the engineering practitioners who are attached to BOI approved companies in the country.

The Engineering Council Sri Lanka (ECSL) is a Government Institute which has been established effective from 24th August 2018, in accordance with the provisions of the Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Act No 4 of 2017. The Council is responsible to maintain professional standards among the engineering practitioners, monitor the conduct of engineering practitioners and registration of different categories of local/foreign engineering practitioners who wish to practice in Sri Lanka.

At the said discussions, ECSL informed that local engineering practitioners are registered at the Council and the importance of obtaining same registration from ECSL for the foreign engineering practitioners to maintain professional standards was highlighted.

In view of the above, it was discussed to obtain prior registrations from the ECSL for foreign engineering practitioners who are attached to BOI approved companies prior to delivering their services in Sri Lanka.

Accordingly, you may communicate with the Engineering Council for registration of foreign national employees designated as any type of "Engineer" in your company when applying for the Residence visa to work in Sri Lanka. (Please refer https://www.ecsl.lk/pages/foreign-engineering-practitioners for more details)

Any further clarification in this regard may be obtained from Mr. Krishantha Britto, Deputy Director (Investment Appraisal), Tel: 0112427341 email:krishanthab@boi.lk).

Yours faithfully

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