

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Authorised Agents and Promoters  
**From:** Citizenship by Investment Unit  
**Subject:** Applications by a Qualifying Dependent of a Citizen  
**Date:** May 06, 2019

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The Citizenship by Investment (Amendment) Act 2019 has amended section 36 of the Citizenship by Investment Act No. 14 of 2015 (“the Principal Act”) to allow the Citizenship by Investment Board (“the Board”) to grant an application for citizenship by investment to a qualifying dependant, if the Board is satisfied as follows:

- a. the person was a qualifying dependant when the application was made by the citizen;
- b. the person is a child born after the application was made by the citizen;
- c. the person is the spouse of the citizen and was married after the application was made by the citizen;
- d. the application for citizenship by investment of the qualifying dependant was made no more than five years after the application was made by the citizen.

The formerly stated amendment applies from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2016, consequently the qualifying dependent(s) of citizens (“add-on dependent”) from that period are able to apply.

Pursuant to the amendment, the following shall apply to facilitate an application by an add-on dependent.

1. The due diligence fees as prescribed in Schedule 1 of the Citizenship by Investment Regulations No.89 of 2015 shall apply as per below:

**Due diligence and background checks fees**

Each qualifying dependent over 16 years of age US\$ 5,000

Please note that whereas no diligence fee is payable by the citizen, a further due diligence check shall be conducted on him/her.

2. The processing fees as prescribed in Schedule 1 of the Citizenship by Investment Regulations No.89 of 2015 shall apply as per below:

**Non-refundable processing fees**

Each qualifying dependent US\$ 1,000

3. The application forms to be completed by a qualifying dependent shall apply as prescribed by the Citizenship by Investment (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (the current application forms)

4. The following documents shall be required from the citizen:

- I. Mandatory Documents
  - Sworn Affidavit of Support of Qualifying Dependent (SL7)
- II. If applicable, documents which were acquired after being granted citizenship:
  - Certified Proof of Name Change Document
  - Certified copy of all valid Passport Pages (if the passport previously submitted to the Unit has expired)
  - Marriage Certificate (if the add-on dependent is the spouse of the citizen)
  - Certified Divorce Decree Document (if the add-on dependent is the current spouse of the citizen, pursuant to a divorce by the citizen of a former spouse)

5. The applicable qualifying investment amount to the National Economic Fund payable by each category of add-on dependent shall soon be prescribed by Citizenship by Investment (Amendment) Regulations. The Unit shall issue an updated Memorandum once the investment fees formerly referred are in effect.

Please be guided accordingly and feel free to contact the Unit should you have any queries on the matters stated.

Regards,



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Chief Executive Officer