

**Re: IMI Renunciation Appointment Receipts**

David Lesperance &lt;david@lesperanceassociates.com&gt;

Fri 9/24/2021 5:56 PM

To: Christian Henrik Nesheim &lt;cn@imidaily.com&gt;

Cc: David Lesperance &lt;david@lesperanceassociates.com&gt;

Dear Christian: Here is the cut and paste on various 2021 emails (names deleted where appropriate). I can go digging for the 2020 exchanges but I think this may be enough "receipts" to prove my point. In some case there is a string of conversation, in some there is no reply. I will write up my reply article when I get the chance.

All the Best

David

**1) Bern Switzerland** (Exchange with client)

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Bern CONS ACS Renunciations -MB** <BernCLN@state.gov>

Date: Wed, Mar 10, 2021 at 11:41 PM

Subject: RE: CLN -

To:

Dear Mr.

Thank you for your documents. Please note that we are currently unable to offer appointments for renunciations. We have a waiting list of over 400 customers and will schedule appointments in the order in which we received the requests. It may yet be some time until we will be able to offer an appointment to you.

We will make every effort to schedule you as soon as possible. Meanwhile we thank you for your patience and understanding.

Kind regards,

**American Citizen Services/Renunciations**

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E-Mail: [BernCLN@state.gov](mailto:BernCLN@state.gov)**2) Reykjavik, Iceland** (exchange with me)On 6 Apr 2021, at 13:32, David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)> wrote:

Dear Consular Section:

May I ask on what basis you are continuing to suspend the ability for Americans to exercise their right to renounce their citizenship, when the Icelandic government allows Americans to enter the country if they have been vaccinated?

Yours Faithfully

David

On 6 Apr 2021, at 13:25, Reykjavik, Consular <[ReykjavikConsular@state.gov](mailto:ReykjavikConsular@state.gov)> wrote:

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Sir,

The Embassy has temporarily suspended renunciation services, due to the worldwide pandemic situation. We are unsure as of when those appointments will be resumed.

Sincerely,

Consular Section  
Embassy of the United States of America – Reykjavik, Iceland

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From: David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

Sent: Tuesday, April 6, 2021 9:26 AM

**To:** Reykjavik, Consular <[ReykjavikConsular@state.gov](mailto:ReykjavikConsular@state.gov)>  
**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Subject:** Expatriation Appointments: Reykjavik

Dear Ms. Yerkin

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Iceland](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation.

Stay Safe  
David



**David Lesperance JD**

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### 3) Belmopan, Belize (Exchange with me)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** ACS Belmopan <[ACSBelize@state.gov](mailto:ACSBelize@state.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Expatriation Appointments: Belize City  
**Date:** 12 April 2021 at 19:56:02 CEST  
**To:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Cc:** ACS Belmopan <[ACSBelize@state.gov](mailto:ACSBelize@state.gov)>

Dear Mr. David Lesperance,

Thank you for your inquiry. US Embassy Belmopan is currently providing only limited and emergency consular services. We currently do not have any appointments available for renunciations. Please have your client check in the district in which he lives for the earliest available appointment.

Sincerely,



**U.S. Embassy Belmopan, Belize**

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**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 12:52 PM  
**To:** ACS Belmopan <[ACSBelize@state.gov](mailto:ACSBelize@state.gov)>  
**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Subject:** Expatriation Appointments: Belize City

Dear US Citizen Services:

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Belize](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation.

Stay Safe  
David

### 4) Tallinn Estonia (exchange with me)

**From:** "Acs, Tallinn" <[AcsTallinn@state.gov](mailto:AcsTallinn@state.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Expatriation Appointments: Estonia  
**Date:** 12 April 2021 at 08:10:52 CEST  
**To:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

Hello,

Thank you for writing to us but unfortunately it is not possible to have renunciation done at the Embassy in Tallinn.

Consular Section  
U.S.Embassy Tallinn

**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 6:56 PM  
**To:** Acs, Tallinn <[AcsTallinn@state.gov](mailto:AcsTallinn@state.gov)>  
**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Subject:** Expatriation Appointments: Estonia

Dear US Citizen Services:

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Estonia](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

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David

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 **David Lesperance** <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  Renuni...ointments 10 April 2021 at 21:00  
**Expatriation Appointments: Georgia** [Details](#)  
**To:** askconsultbilisi@state.gov **Cc:** & 1 more



Dear US Citizen Services:

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Georgia](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

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David Lesperance &lt;david@lesperanceassociates.com&gt;

Renuni...ointments 10 April 2021 at 21:09

Expatriation Appointments: Guatemala

[Details](#)

To: consularguatem@state.gov Cc: &amp; 1 more



Dear US Citizen Services:

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Guatemala](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation.

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7) **Warsaw, Poland** (exchange with me. BTW Canadian Embassy across the street only closed Consular Services for 2 days while they switched from walk-in to scheduling appointment system)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Poland, ACS" <[ACSWarsaw@state.gov](mailto:ACSWarsaw@state.gov)>

**Subject:** Re: Expatriation Appointments: Warsaw Poland

**Date:** 12 April 2021 at 10:16:41 CEST

**To:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

Dear Sir,

Due to the staffing limitations related to current pandemic situation, at this time we can consider requests for non-emergency services, such as renunciation of citizenship, on case-by-case basis only for American citizens who reside in Poland and/or are dual Polish-American nationals.

Please also note that proof of vaccination only exempts travelers from the obligation to quarantine after arrival in Poland if they are allowed to enter. At this time American citizens are generally not allowed to enter Poland unless they qualify for one of the exceptions listed on our website (in the section "Entry and Exit Requirements"):

[COVID-19 Information | U.S. Embassy & Consulate in Poland](#)

Sincerely,

American Citizen Services

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**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

**Sent:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 7:14 PM

**To:** Poland, ACS <[ACSWarsaw@state.gov](mailto:ACSWarsaw@state.gov)>

**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

**Subject:** Expatriation Appointments: Warsaw Poland

Dear US Citizen Services:

As [vaccinated Americans are now being allowed to travel to Poland](#), I have looked at the [on-line booking site](#) and it is not functioning for your office. I currently have a client who is looking to schedule a renunciation interview. He is fully versed and the various documentation is in hand. Can you please advise as to the procedures at your office and the first available date for an interview?

Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation.

Stay Safe  
David

**8) Dubai, UAE** (Exchange with local agent)

**Subject: FW: Assistance for Appointment - Renunciation of US Citizenship**

**Date:** 25 April 2021 at 05:48:32 CEST

**To:** "David S Lesperance" <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

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**From:** Dubai, ACS [<mailto:DubaiACS@state.gov>]

**Sent:** Sunday, April 25, 2021 7:46 AM

**To:**

**Subject:** Re: Assistance for Appointment - Renunciation of US Citizenship

Dear

Thank you for reaching out to the Consulate with your inquiry. Regrettably, we cannot provide your client with an appointment for citizenship renunciation. We have limited staff available due to COVID-19 and we are currently oversubscribed for services locally.

We are providing non-emergency services to Dubai and UAE residents only.

Best regards,

American Citizen Services  
U.S. Consulate General, Dubai

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**From:**

**Sent:** Friday, April 23, 2021 12:59 PM

**To:** Dubai, ACS <[DubaiACS@state.gov](mailto:DubaiACS@state.gov)>

**Subject:** Assistance for Appointment - Renunciation of US Citizenship

Dear ACS Team

I would like to check up with you on this matter once again. Do you have any availability for non-resident US citizens to take an appointment at the Consulate for renunciation of US citizenship?

Can you at least schedule an appointment in 3d week of June for one of my non-resident clients?

Thank you and best regards

**9) Athens, Greece** (Exchange with me)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

**Subject: Re: Renunciation Appointments at US Embassy in Athens**

**Date:** 13 August 2021 at 10:22:28 CEST

**To:** Athens American Passports <[AthAmPassports@state.gov](mailto:AthAmPassports@state.gov)>

**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

Dear Consular Officer:

As I indicated, the client is a resident of Greece. Can you advise as to whether there is some State Department directive which specifically EXCLUDES the provision of this specific US Citizen Service...i.e. an American exercising their **right** to renounce their US citizenship? If there is not a State Department directive on this point, then can you please advise as to why your office has chosen to only exclude this particular service?

All the Best  
David



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On 13 Aug 2021, at 07:56, Athens American Passports <[AthAmPassports@state.gov](mailto:AthAmPassports@state.gov)> wrote:

Mr. Lesperance,

Thank you for your email.

Regrettably, we have not resumed processing renunciation of nationality cases. As soon as we resume to process these cases, we will schedule appointments for residents of Greece only.

Sincerely,

[Passport & Citizenship Section](#)  
U.S. Embassy Athens  
91 Vasilissis Sophias Avenue  
10160 Athens

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**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** Athens American Passports <[AthAmPassports@state.gov](mailto:AthAmPassports@state.gov)>  
**Cc:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>  
**Subject:** Renunciation Appointments at US Embassy in Athens

Dear Consular Officer:

I represent an American with residence in Greece who wishes to schedule an appointment to exercise his right to renounce his US citizenship. We are quite familiar with the process as outlined in the Foreign Affairs Manual. Can you please advise as to your office's specific procedures and scheduling of appointments.

All the Best  
David

#### 10) Lisbon, Portugal (Exchange with client)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:**  
**Subject: RE: Renunciation of U.S. citizenship**  
**Date:** 20 August 2021 at 15:07:15 CEST  
**To:** "[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)" <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

----- Original Message -----

On Friday, August 6th, 2021 at 10:46 AM, CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)> wrote:

Good afternoon, Thank you for your response. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, renunciation services have been suspended since March 2020. No resumption date is still predicted. We have added you to our "waiting list". We will reach back to you once this non-urgent type of service is resumed.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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U.S. Embassy Lisbon | Consular Section | American Citizen Services



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**From:**

**Sent:** Friday, August 6, 2021 4:32 PM

**To:** CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Renunciation of U.S. citizenship

Hi, Yes, they are prepared however not signed. Yes, please add my name to the waiting list. Thank you,

----- Original Message -----

On Friday, August 6th, 2021 at 9:24 AM, CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)> wrote:

Thank you for your response. Do you already have all forms/documentation prepared? Only then your name can be added to the "waiting list". Unfortunately, we have no current prediction as processing of renunciation services have been suspended due to COVID-19 since March 2020.

Sincerely,

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**From:**

**Sent:** Friday, August 6, 2021 3:07 PM

**To:** CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Renunciation of U.S. citizenship

Thank you. Yes, please add me to the waiting list. Can you tell me approximately how long the waiting list is?

Best,

----- Original Message -----

On Friday, August 6th, 2021 at 3:00 AM, CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)> wrote:

Good morning, Thank you for your reply. If after reviewing the information provided you decide to continue with your renunciation request, we kindly ask you to gather/prepare all documentation and forms. After that, we kindly ask you to reply to this email address to have your name added to our "waiting list".

Sincerely,

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**From:**

**Sent:** Thursday, August 5, 2021 4:57 PM

**To:** CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Renunciation of U.S. citizenship

Full Name:

DOB:

Place of Birth:

Phone:

----- Original Message -----

On Thursday, August 5th, 2021 at 10:48 AM, CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)> wrote:

Dear Sir/Madam,

The U.S. Embassy in Lisbon has received your inquiry about renunciation of your U.S. citizenship. **We kindly ask you to please reply to this email with your full name, date of birth, place of birth and phone contact as soon as possible upon receiving this message.**

In order to make a request in Lisbon, the applicant needs to be residing in Portugal. These cases, involving very serious decisions, usually require more than one interview. Each interview requires an individual appointment. Following the first meeting with the Consul, who must inform potential renunciants of the consequences of renunciation, there are other meetings and interviews to fill out paperwork and also to discuss the case. You would have to make an appointment for each subsequent interview. The appointment system online cannot be used to schedule an appointment for renunciation of citizenship. These interviews are done at different hours and are scheduled by email. For your information, the cost for a renunciation of citizenship case is **currently \$2,350.00**. We accept cash and credit cards but do not accept debit cards or personal checks.

In order to learn more about renunciation of citizenship, you should visit the Department of State website:

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/travel-legal-considerations/us-citizenship/Renunciation-US-Nationality-Abroad.html>

**IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING APPOINTMENTS**

If you arrive fully prepared to your initial appointment, we will likely process your loss of nationality in two interviews. If you do not have the forms filled out or if you do not have all required original evidence, or if there are questions regarding the voluntariness of your oath of renunciation or the intentionality of your loss of citizenship, you will need to return for a third appointment (at least).

At the time of your initial appointment you must bring:

--Completed and unsigned Form DS-4080 (attached);

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--Your most recent U.S. passport (book and card) and, if you have ever been issued one, your Consular Report of Birth Abroad, Certificate of U.S. Citizenship, or Certificate of U.S. Naturalization;

--Your original or certified U.S. birth certificate (not a photocopy) as evidence of U.S. citizenship, if you do not have one of the citizenship documents listed above;

--Original proof of other citizenship (often a valid foreign passport);

--Original evidence of name change, if applicable (usually marriage certificates or official name change decrees);

--Your U.S. Social Security Card, if you have ever been issued one;

--Your most recent NEXUS, SENTRI or GLOBAL ENTRY card;

--The address of your last residence in the United States;

--Original evidence of your prior expatriating act if you are documenting a prior relinquishment of U.S. citizenship (usually a foreign certificate of citizenship or naturalization with the date you became a foreign citizen, a foreign oath of allegiance signed by you, evidence of service in a foreign government post, or evidence of service in a foreign state military force as an officer or if the foreign military force was engaged in hostilities with the United States). **This is not required if you are currently a U.S. citizen renouncing your U.S. citizenship;**

--A properly stamped self-addressed pre-paid envelope ("Correio Verde" envelope + 1.75 in stamps to pay for the registration – you can buy this at any local Post Office CTT) so we can mail your Certificate of Loss of Nationality.

Please see the [Internal Revenue Service](#) (IRS) information on U.S. federal tax Form 8854 "Initial and Annual Expatriation Information Statement." You are responsible for fully informing yourself of, and complying with, the federal tax consequences of relinquishing United States citizenship.

Should you have any questions please send an e-mail to [conslisbon@state.gov](mailto:conslisbon@state.gov). Please note that if you do not understand any aspect of the loss of nationality requirements or process described above or you are unsure about whether you would like to continue with the expatriation process, you may speak by phone or in-person with a consular mission member or consular officer at the Embassy/Consulate. If you choose not to request a phone or in-person discussion, and decide to schedule an appointment to take the Oath of Renunciation, we will assume you fully understand the loss of nationality requirements and process described above and have chosen to proceed with the expatriation process.

In reply to your questions, please note that we will only be able to discuss details about your appointment once you have reviewed the information above and prepared all documents/forms for submission. The average time space between the two appointments is of at least a couple of weeks.

Thank you

Consular Services

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**From:**

**Sent:** Thursday, August 5, 2021 4:15 PM

**To:** CONS, Lisbon <[ConsLisbon@state.gov](mailto:ConsLisbon@state.gov)>

**Subject:** Appointment

Hello,

I am an American Citizen, and would like to make a renunciation appointment in Lisbon.

Can you let me know the steps to proceed?

Thank you,

**11) Hong Kong** (sent today)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** David Lesperance <[david@lesperanceassociates.com](mailto:david@lesperanceassociates.com)>

**Subject:** For which months are you scheduling appointments for renunciations?

**Date:** 24 September 2021 at 11:50:10 CEST