

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOREIGN NATIONALS WITH EXPIRED OR NO VISAS TO STAY, LEAVE, OR REMAIN IN NAURU, TO RECTIFY THEIR ILLEGALITY BY 31ST MAY 2024

- 1. **NOTICE** is hereby given that the Cabinet has considered a one-off opportunity for all persons who have:
 - (a) expired visas;
 - (b) employment visas where employers have changed;
 - (c) employment visas where employment has been terminated;
 - (d) living with spouses, in de-facto relationships, or having children with a Nauruan citizen;
 - (e) different classes of visas;
 - (f) no visas at all; or
 - (g) any other reason for any illegal stay in Nauru,

to rectify the same.

- 2. The Government has granted an amnesty period for all persons who fall into the above categories or have no legitimate reason to remain in Nauru, to contact the Immigration Section so that their unlawful stay is regularised. The amnesty period means a period over which any application will be considered without the strict application of the *Immigration Act 2014*.
- 3. The amnesty period is an opportunity for all persons who are residing in Nauru without any lawful basis or are illegal immigrants to regularise their stay without paying any arrears of visa fees or penalties.
- 4. This amnesty period is given by the Government to ensure that all persons who are illegally staying in Nauru and are not able to remedy their illegality due to lack of money or any

other reason, report to the Immigration Section without fear of being removed from Nauru or payment of arrears of visa fees and penalties.

- 5. The Immigration Section will keep records of all persons reporting for this purpose and assist in rectifying all visas for persons who are in Nauru illegally. Removal from Nauru will be the last resort.
- 6. Once the period for rectifying this visa requirement is over, the Immigration Section will undertake an exercise to identify and remove all illegal immigrants in Nauru. There will be no exceptions, exemptions of fees, or penalties for any rectification request after the amnesty period, as the opportunity is now given to those illegal immigrants to **RECTIFY THEIR STAY WITHOUT ANY COST**.
- 7. The amnesty will end on 31ST MAY 2024. This Notice requires all affected individuals to consult the Immigration Office immediately.

You may contact the Director of Immigration, Ms Darlene Dabana, for further assistance, on email at darlenenauruimmi@gmail.com or by telephone at 5573080.

Dated this 22nd day of April 2024.

Darlene Dabana **Director of Immigration**