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NOTE

from: Swiss delegation
to: Visa Working Party

Subject: Amendments to the Table of travel documents entitling the holder to cross the external borders and which may be endorsed with a visa - Part I
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The Swiss delegation wishes to inform delegations about the following amendments to the Table of travel documents:

ARGENTINA

- "Pasaporte provisorio (valid for 60 days and only to return to Argentina)"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Pasaporte provisorio (valid for 60 days and only to return to Argentina) issued by Argentina".

An "X" should be inserted in row 11 for this document in the column "CH LI" with the following footnote "Recognised for exit or transit to return to Argentina".

BELIZE

- "Temporary passport (in form of a booklet)"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Temporary passport (in form of a booklet)" issued by Belize.

An "X" should be inserted in row 11 for this document in the column "CH LI".

BHUTAN

- "Alien's travel document"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein do not recognise the "Alien's travel document".

An "O" should be inserted in row 10, in the column "CH LI".

CANADA

"Collective passport"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Collective passport" issued by Canada.

An "X" should be inserted in row 5, in the column "CH LI" with the following footnote "Collective list issued by the "Ministère canadien de la défense" for Canadian children of Canadian military staff stationed in Germany.".

CHINA

"Travel permit (Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China)"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Travel permit (Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China)".

An "X" should be inserted in row 11 for the "Travel permit (Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China)" in the column "CH LI" with the following footnote: "Recognised in case the holder is Chinese national (under the heading nationality "Chinese").".

COTE D'IVOIRE

"Diplomatic passport"

"Service passport"

In row 2 for "Diplomatic passport" and row 3 for "Service passport" in the column "CH LI" a single footnote for both kinds of passports with the following wording should be inserted:

"Irrespective of their duration of validity, diplomatic passports (red cover) and service passport (black cover) issued before 1 January 2001 are no longer recognised.".

MALAWI

"Temporary passport"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Temporary passport" issued by Malawi.

Consequently, a new row "Temporary passport" should be added under point 11, and an "X" should be inserted in the column "CH LI" for this document.

MAURITIUS

"Ordinary passport" (for children/minors)

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Ordinary passport" (for children/minors).

In row 1, in the column "CH LI" a footnote with the following wording should be inserted "The passport for children/minors (blue cover) is treated as an ordinary passport."

MONGOLIA

"Diplomatic passport"

"Service passport"

In row 2 for "Diplomatic passport" a footnote with the following wording should be added in the column "CH LI": "The diplomatic passport issued before 31 January 2002 is not recognised, irrespective of the validity period."

In row 3 for "Service passport" a footnote with the following wording should be added in the column "CH LI": "The official passport issued before 30 April 2002 is not recognised, irrespective of the validity period."

MONTENEGRO

"Ordinary passport"

"Diplomatic passport"

"Service passport"

In row 1 for "Ordinary passport" a footnote with the following wording should be inserted:

"Passports of the former Socialist Republic of Yugoslavia (with red cover and wording "SFR JUGOSLAVIJA") are not recognised, irrespective of their validity period."

Since 1 January 2012 ordinary passports (blue cover) with the heading "Republic of Yugoslavia" (САВЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА) are no longer valid, irrespective of their validity period."

In row 2 for "Diplomatic passport" and row 3 for "Service passport" a single footnote with the following wording should be inserted:

"Diplomatic and official passports with the heading Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (САВЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА) are, irrespective of their validity period, no longer recognised."

PHILIPPINES

"Seamen's book"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein do not recognise the "Seamen's book" issued by the Philippines.

An "O" should be inserted in row 7, in the column "CH LI".

SÃO-TOMÉ AND PRINCIPE

"Temporary passport"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Temporary passport" issued by São-Tomé and Príncipe."

Consequently, a new row "Temporary passport" should be added under point 11, and an "X" should be inserted in the column "CH LI" for this document.

SERBIA

"Ordinary passport"

"Diplomatic passport"

"Service passport"

In row 1 for "Ordinary passport" a footnote with the following wording should be inserted:

"Passports of the former Socialist Republic of Yugoslavia (with red cover and wording "SFR JUGOSLAVIJA") are not recognised, irrespective of their validity period."

Since 1 January 2012 ordinary passports (blue cover) with the heading "Republic of Yugoslavia" (САБЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА) are no longer valid, irrespective of their validity period."

In row 2 for "Diplomatic passport" and row 3 for "Service passport" a single footnote with the following wording should be inserted:

"Diplomatic and official passports with the heading Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (САБЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА) are, irrespective of their validity period, no longer recognised."

THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

"Refugee's travel document"

"Stateless person's travel document"

Switzerland reviews the non-recognition of the "Refugee's travel document" and the "Stateless person's travel document" because the Palestinian Authority does not issue these two kinds of travel documents.

The "O" shall be deleted in row 8 for the "Refugee's travel document" and in row 9 for "Stateless person's travel document" in the column "CH LI".

TURKEY

"Temporary passport"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Temporary passport" issued by Turkey.

An "X" should be inserted in row 11 for the "Temporary passport" in the column "CH LI".

UNITED STATES

"Military ID card (Armed Forces of the United States)"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein recognise the "Military ID card (Armed Forces of the United States) issued by the United States".

Consequently, a new row "Military ID card (Armed Forces of the United States)" should be added under point 11 and an "X" should be inserted in the column "CH LI" for this document with the following footnote "Recognised if the ID card contains a photo and the bearer wears civilian clothes or has a permit to wear uniform for entry for the purpose of transit as well as for exit or transit to the United States of America.".

"Permit to re-enter the United States (white booklet)"

Switzerland and Liechtenstein do not recognise the "Permit to re-enter the United States.".

- An "O" should be inserted in row 11, in the column "CH LI".
