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### **GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION TO EXIT THE COUNTRY FOR CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. Exit country travel bans have been made effective from 16 March 2020 for the following:
  - 1.1 Brunei Darussalam citizens;
  - 1.2 Permanent residents holding purple Identity Card and valid Entry Permit, including holders of Certificates of Identity and foreign and stateless passport holders;
  - 1.3 Foreign nationals who hold a Green Identity Card and a valid immigration pass; and;
  - 1.4 Spouse and children of 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 who are residing in Brunei Darussalam holding Certificates of Identity.
  
2. These guidelines will outline the terms and procedure for exit country application for specific reasons during the global COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **ASSESSMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE**

3. Citizens and residents of Brunei Darussalam are banned from traveling out of the country except for urgent circumstances as follows:



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- 3.1 Requirement to appear in court abroad for case mentions or trial following a court order overseas for a criminal case, or as a witness (including crimes under the Syariah or Civil Courts) with the endorsement of relevant authorities at home or abroad;
  - 3.2 Requirement for urgent medical treatment abroad with the endorsement of the relevant local or foreign agencies;
  - 3.3 For reasons of studying abroad with the endorsement of the relevant parties at home or abroad; and
  - 3.4 Other situations deemed very urgent and reasonable on a case-by-case basis.
4. In assessing the application, the Prime Minister's Office may refer to relevant agencies for their views and endorsement where necessary.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

5. Citizens and residents who wish to exit the country shall seek approval to do so by emailing [travelapplication@jpm.gov.bn](mailto:travelapplication@jpm.gov.bn) the following documents:
  - 5.1 The relevant exit country application form;

**Form A-** Citizens and Residents of Brunei Darussalam including holders of Green Identity Cards;



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**Form B-** For Civil Servants and Employees of Statutory Boards;

**Form C-** For Companies.

- 5.2 Other relevant documents that have been endorsed by relevant parties (as stated in the checklist).
6. The application shall be emailed within **not less than fourteen (14) days** from the date of intended travel.

### **FOR CIVIL SERVANTS OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM**

7. For civil servants and employees in Statutory Boards, applications must first be assessed by the respective Permanent Secretaries of the Ministry or Head of Agency (for Statutory Boards) with their endorsement before being forwarded to the Prime Minister's Office for approval.