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Cabinet makes the following Regulations under Section 33 of the *Immigration Act 2014*:

1 Citation

These Regulations may be cited as the Immigration (Coronavirus (COVID-19) Visa) Regulations 2020.

2 Commencement

These Regulations come into effect on the day they are notified in the Gazette.

3 Interpretation

In these Regulations:

'declared disease' means Coronavirus (COVID-19) which is also declared as a quarantinable disease under the provisions of the *Quarantine Act 1908*;

'Secretary' means the Secretary for Justice and Border Control;

'visa' means a Coronavirus (COVID-19) visa issued under these Regulations.

4 Application of Regulations

- (1) These Regulations shall apply to non-Nauruan persons already in Nauru and have not been able to depart due to travel restrictions imposed as a consequence of the declared disease.
- (2) For avoidance of doubt, this class of visa shall not apply to any person who is lawfully in Nauru under any other class of visa.
- (3) A person in subregulation (2) shall ensure that his or her visa remains current under the respective class of visa which he or she holds.

5 Coronavirus (COVID-19) visa

- (1) A person who has been restrained from departing Nauru or is unable to depart as a direct consequence of travel restrictions resulting from the declared disease, shall apply for a visa to lawfully remain in Nauru.
- (2) An application under subregulation (1) shall contain the following details:
 - (a) full name;
 - (b) residential address in Nauru;

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- (c) telephone;
 - (d) email;
 - (e) date of most recent entry to Nauru;
 - (f) purpose of visiting Nauru;
 - (g) means of support in Nauru or name of employer, if employed;
 - (h) passport;
 - (i) copy of departure ticket (if available); and
 - (j) proof of payment of visa fee.
- (3) A visa granted under these Regulations is valid for 6 months unless extended by the Secretary.
- (4) The holder of a visa must not behave in a manner prejudicial to the peace and good order of Nauru.
- (5) A visa may be granted subject to any other reasonable condition that the Secretary considers necessary or desirable.

6 Employment of holder of visa

- (1) Subject to subregulation (4), the holder of a visa granted under these Regulations may engage in employment.
- (2) The holder of the visa shall immediately inform the Secretary of the:
- (a) name of the employer;
 - (b) nature of employment or work; and
 - (c) duration of such employment or work.
- (3) The employer shall provide to the Secretary a letter confirming the employment of the holder of the visa.
- (4) No person shall be granted, permitted or engaged to work in the Regional Processing Centre and Settlements or by any approved commercial service provider under the *Nauru (RPC) Corporation Act 2017*, under this class of visa.

7 Visa extension

A holder of a visa may, where necessary, apply for extension of his or her visa.

8 Rectification of status

A non-Nauruan person who has been in Nauru unlawfully for more than 12 months and has no or never held a visa to enter and remain in Nauru, may apply for this class of visa to rectify his or her status of remaining in Nauru.

9 Fees

The following fees apply:

- (a) visa fee - \$150; and
 - (b) processing fee - \$50.
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