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Information on Visas

United Nations Climate Change Conference Additional sessions of the subsidiary bodies 4–9 September 2018, Bangkok, Thailand

The secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change wishes to bring to the attention of Parties the general conditions for obtaining a visa to enter Thailand for the Additional sessions of the subsidiary bodies, to be held in Bangkok from 4 to 9 September 2018.

All foreign delegates entering Thailand must have a valid passport. Participants who are confirmed to attend the sessions should review carefully if they require a visa for Thailand, in accordance with the information provided below. Please note that the visa on arrival and the tourist visa scheme will not apply in this instance, since the purpose of entering Thailand is not tourism but to attend a meeting.

1. Parties that have a bilateral agreement with Thailand whose nationals hold an ordinary, diplomatic or official passport may enter Thailand without a visa. The list of Parties that have a bilateral agreement with Thailand can be found in the annex to this note;
2. Parties that require a visa and where Thailand has a diplomatic mission or consulate in their territory are required to contact the appropriate diplomatic mission or consulate of Thailand in their country. A list of the Thai embassies and consulates is available at <http://www.thaiembassy.org/main/>. When applying for a visa, a copy of the notification of the sessions, dated 28 May 2018, and a copy of the acknowledgement letter confirming registration for the above-mentioned sessions should be submitted to the Thai embassy or consulate;



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3. Parties that require a visa and where Thailand does not have a diplomatic mission or consulate in their territory, the Government of Thailand has agreed to provide, on an exceptional basis, a visa exemption upon arrival free of charge. Such participants should provide the required information in the attached file (as it appears in their passport) as well as an electronic copy of their passport, by no later than **15 August 2018**, to visas@unfccc.int. Please note that after this date the Government of Thailand will not be in a position to process or facilitate any visa exemptions. Upon receipt of the required information, the Thai authorities will inform the respective airlines that the participants will receive a visa exemption upon arrival in Thailand.

The secretariat is thankful for the consideration and support of the Government of Thailand.

Yours sincerely,

(signed by)

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Annex

Passport holders from the following countries/ territories may enter Thailand without a visa

Ordinary Passport			Diplomatic/Official Passport		
Period of stay			Period of stay		
14 Days	30 Days	90 Days	30 Days	90 Days	
Cambodia	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Argentina	Cambodia	Albania	
			Brunei Darussalam	Argentina	
			China	Austria	
Myanmar – <i>International Airport only</i>	Mongolia	Brazil*	Ecuador	Belarus	
			Indonesia	Belgium	
			Kazakhstan	Bhutan	
	Russian Federation	Chile	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Brazil	
			Malaysia	Chile	
			Mongolia	Colombia	
	Vietnam**	Republic of Korea*	Peru*	Myanmar	Costa Rica
				Oman	Croatia
				Pakistan – <i>Diplomatic only</i>	Czech Republic
				Singapore	Estonia – <i>Diplomatic only</i>
				Vietnam	France – <i>Diplomatic only</i>
					Germany
					Hungary
					India
					Israel
					Italy
					Japan
					Republic of Korea
					Liechtenstein
					Luxembourg
					Mexico
					Montenegro
					Morocco
					The Netherlands
					Nepal
					Panama
					Peru
					The Philippines
					Poland
				Romania	
				Russian Federation	
				Serbia	
				Slovakia	
				South Africa	
				Spain – <i>Diplomatic only</i>	
				Sri Lanka	
				Switzerland	
				Tajikistan	
				Tunisia	
				Turkey	
				Ukraine	
				Uruguay	

Remarks:

* Passport holders of Brazil, Republic of Korea and Peru are entitled for tourist visa exemption scheme. Meanwhile, Thailand also holds bilateral agreements on visa exemption for holders of diplomatic, official and ordinary passports for a visit of not exceeding 90 days with Brazil, Republic of Korea and Peru.

** Passport holders of Vietnam and Hong Kong are entitled for tourist visa exemption scheme. Meanwhile, Thailand also holds bilateral agreements on visa exemption for holders of diplomatic, official and ordinary passports for a visit of not exceeding 30 days with Vietnam and Hong Kong.