



Islamabad, the 19th June, 2018

To: The Director General,
Immigration & Passports,
Islamabad

Subject: REVISION IN VISA POLICY FOR US NATIONALS ON RECIPROCITY BASIS

The following amendments in Pakistan visa policy for US nationals only are being notified for information and necessary action of all concerned:-

(a) Assignment Visa

- Pakistan's Missions are allowed to issue two years multiple entry assignment visas to the personnel of Diplomatic Missions based in Pakistan and the immediate family members (spouse and dependent children) of accredited diplomats.

(b) Official Visa:

- Pakistan's Missions are allowed to issue two years official visas with no limit on duration of stay however, it should only be for senior government officials, 2 stars & above Armed Forces officers and equivalent (Grade 21 and above). For others status quo be maintained (temporary visa) i.e. 3 months with 30 days duration of stay (single entry) be allowed subject to security clearance.

(c) Tourist Visa:

- **US Nationals:** Pakistan Missions are allowed to issue 02 Years validity with max 03 months stay multiple entry visas to US nationals.

(d) Student Visa:

- Ministry of Interior will authorize Pakistan Missions abroad to grant Study (Entry) visa according to the length of programme with a maximum validity of 05 years, after NOC from concerned Ministries and clearance from security agencies.

2. It is requested that the above amendment in Visa Policy may be circulated among all Visa Issuing Authorities in Pakistan/Abroad and other concerned Ministries/Departments. Existing instructions covering other types of visa would remain the same.

3. It is also requested to incorporate the aforementioned changes/ modifications in the existing Visa Regime wherever relevant so as to update the Visa Manual for circulation at an early date.

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