

August 04, 2014

Dear Sirs,

This is to inform you that **today**, **on August 04**, **2014**, the amendments to the Federal Law "On citizenship of the Russian Federation" (hereinafter – the "Law") defining the legal status of persons having foreign citizenship along with Russian one entered into force.

As we informed you earlier, in accordance with the provisions of the Law the citizen of the Russian Federation is obliged to inform the state authorities of the Russian Federation about the fact that he/she has:

- another citizenship; or
- residence permit or other valid document confirming the right of permanent residence in a foreign country (collectively "Document confirming the right of permanent residence in a foreign country").

The Russian citizen is obliged to file a notification about either already existing citizenship or Documents confirming the right of permanent residence in a foreign country, or each subsequent acquisition of any of the above.

This obligation does not apply to citizens of the Russian Federation residing outside the Russian Federation.

The notification should be submitted by the Russian citizen in person or mailed to the regional office of the Federal Migration Service in the place of residence of the person in the Russian Federation, in the absence thereof - in his/her place of temporary residence, and in the absence of a place of residence or temporary residence in the Russian Federation – at the place of actual location of the person in the Russian Federation.

The deadline for notification is sixty days from the date of acquisition of another citizenship or obtaining Document confirming the right of permanent residence in a foreign country, or in case citizenship or Document confirming the right of permanent residence in a foreign country was acquired before August 04, 2014 – by October 04, 2014.

If a citizen is a minor or limited in legal capacity, the notification shall be submitted by his/her legal representative.

Despite on the fact that the Law entered into force, forms and procedure on filing the notification have not been adopted by the state authorities yet however the drafts of the respective documents may be found on the web-site of the drafts of the legal acts (<u>http://regulation.gov.ru/project/15762.html?point=view_project&stage=3&stage_id=9977</u>). We expect adoption of the forms and procedure on filing the notification shortly. The notification shall be accompanied with:

- Identification document (passport);
- Identification document for a minor, adopted child, person under care (shall be filed if the notification is filed by a legal representative (a parent, adoptive parent, guardian, curator);
- Passport issued abroad or any other document confirming foreign citizenship (if any) or a residence permit of a foreign country or any other valid document confirming the right to permanent residence in a foreign country.

We will be glad to inform you upon receipt of any further information.

Please kindly note that as we already mentioned in our previous informational letter, for failure to file or improper filing of the notification the person may face administrative and criminal liability.

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For more information please visit our web-site <u>www.alrud.com</u> or contact directly our Senior Partner Maxim Alekseev (<u>malekseyev@alrud.com</u>).

Kind regards,

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