GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE EXTENSION OF RESIDENCY DOCUMENTS

Due to the state of health emergency, the French authorities have taken measures to automatically extend certain residence documents to secure the situation of legally resident foreign nationals.

Ordinances n°2020-328 of 25 March 2020 and n°2020-460 of 22 April 2020, as well as an additional measure voted by the Parliament, have the effect of automatically extending by 6 months the period of validity of residence documents whose expiration date is between 16 March and 15 June 2020.

Therefore, any holder of a residence permit, a receipt ("récépissé"), a temporary residence permit ("autorisation provisoire de séjour") or a long-stay visa, which expires between 16 March and 15 June 2020:

- is residing legally for an additional 6 months after the expiration date shown on the residence document and will have no procedures to accomplish before autumn. The right to work and all social rights are extended in the same way.

- can enter the Schengen area and return to France for an additional 6 months after the expiration date shown on the residence document. This measure has been notified and is included in Annex 41 of the Schengen Manual for border guards of Member and associated States of the Schengen area.

This information allows the holder of one of these documents to assert the maintenance of her/his rights.

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